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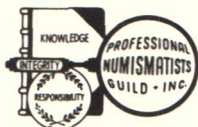
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How the Hobby Protection Act Passed



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FOUR AND A HALF years after it was first proposed in Congress that coin collectors be protected against "the manufacture or importation of coin replicas," a *Hobby Protection Act* passed both the Senate and the House of Representatives and was signed into law by President Nixon in November, 1973.

The final wording of the measure differs substantially from the original proposal introduced in March 1969, but the ultimate purpose is the same: the protection of hobbyists from the proliferation of reproduction and imitation hobby items being sold as genuine articles.

Legislative history of the protective measure began on March 25, 1969, when Rep. James A. McClure, Republican of Idaho, introduced two bills to

regulate "the sale of rare coin reproductions."¹ The bills, H.R. 9448 and H.R. 9449, were referred to the House Banking and Currency Committee and House Judiciary Committee, respectively.

The main bill was H.R. 9448, which prohibited manufacture of coin replicas except "in accordance with standards prescribed by the Secretary of Commerce." The rationale in having a cabinet officer regulate replica

Above: Rep. Robert Eckhardt, D-Tex., author of H.R. 5777, the Hobby Protection Act, compares a genuine coin with its fake counterpart.

manufacture was derived from Congress's power to regulate interstate and foreign commerce.

Regulation was to be achieved by prescribing "standards [which] shall be designed to prevent fraudulent practices in the manufacture of coin replicas by means of a clear and discernible marking of the reproductions or replicas."²

The proposal determined that "'coin replica' means any reproduction or other replica of any coin, whether foreign or domestic, which is not in current circulation," but did not discuss whether the legislation would cover existing reproductions of historic rarity such as restrikes of the 1804 dollar, electrotype copies made during the nineteenth century, and the like.³ Having already determined from an opinion by the Department of Justice that the defacing of a coin by altering its date was not illegal, McClure introduced a companion measure to H.R. 9448 which would have made it illegal to change a coin's date "for the purpose of effecting . . . [the] numismatic value" of the piece. "It is necessary to plug this loophole in our laws to prevent fraud upon the unwary coin purchaser," McClure said.

Enforcement of the protective legislation was left to the Attorney General and the local United States attorneys "in their several districts" throughout the country. United States district courts were given jurisdiction to deal with cases pressed by the U.S. attorney. Hobbyists discovering evidence of fraudulent practices in selling replicas could therefore seek relief only if the local U.S. attorney took an interest in the case.

Finally, in order not to damage the commercial transactions already completed, the McClure bill allowed six months from the date that the Secretary of Commerce prescribed standards for replica manufacture before those standards would take effect.

After being routinely referred to the appropriate committees, the hobby

protection legislation died. It was not "killed" in committee, the traditional way of burying unpopular or controversial legislation; rather, it died of inaction. Not considered by the chairmen of the respective Banking and Currency and Judiciary Committees to be important legislation, the committees simply took no action at all. With the expiration of the 91st Congress in January 1971, the McClure bills were buried. No hobby protection legislation could now be considered by Congress until new bills were introduced.

Early in the 1st session of the 92nd Congress, Rep. Seymour Halpern, Republican of New York, introduced a more encompassing piece of legislation than McClure's earlier proposal.⁴ As a hobbyist who collected autographs and coins, Halpern was critically aware of the problem of replicas being sold to the unsuspecting collector.

"I want the collector to know what he is buying!" Halpern declared. Principally concerned over the "many instances wherein manufacturers advertise 'authentic recreations' and the unsuspecting collector assumes he is buying an original," Halpern said that "[h]undreds of thousands of hobbyists are defenseless against the dealer . . . [A]ll collectors in their enthusiasm often fall prey and windup [sic] being defrauded!"

Going beyond the McClure proposal by encompassing collectors of politicana, "coin or related item," or "any stamp . . . or stamp-related item," H.R. 9780 called for coin copies to be "permanently marked 'reproduction' with the date of manufacture," and specified that violation of this labeling "is unlawful and shall be an unfair or deceptive act or practice in commerce under the Federal Trade Commission Act." Concurrent with this, the FTC was "authorized to prevent any person from violating the provisions of . . . this Act in the same manner, by the same means, and with the same jurisdiction, powers, and duties as though all applicable terms

and provisions of the Federal Trade Commission Act were incorporated into and made a part of this Act."

"Commerce," according to the FTC Act, "means commerce among the several States or with foreign nations, or in any Territory of the United States or in the District of Columbia, or between any such Territory and any states or foreign nation . . ."

Any unfair or deceptive act or practice is "unlawful" under the terms of the FTC Act. Moreover, if the FTC finds or is apprised that such an unlawful practice has been perpetrated, "it shall issue and serve . . . a complaint stating its charges," and can issue an order preventing continuation of the unlawful action. "[A]n order of the Commission to cease and desist shall become final . . ." Most importantly, "any person . . . who violates an order of the Commission to cease and desist after it has become final . . . shall forfeit and pay to the United States a civil penalty" not exceeding \$5,000. The FTC Act further notes that "[e]ach separate violation of such an order shall be a separate offense."

Thus, if a replica numismatic item were not marked as a copy, the Federal Trade Commission was empowered by H.R. 9780 to term this an "unfair or deceptive act" and could issue a cease and desist order to the manufacturer or importer. Older replicas and restrikes continued to be ignored, as was the likelihood that the FTC would fail to enforce the act if it were passed.⁵ One important new provision to the bill was the effective date: ninety days after enactment. This contrasted with the earlier proposal by McClure which would have waited until six months following the publication of standards for the reproduction manufacture.

A week after he introduced the bill, Halpern wrote that he would soon "begin a nation-wide campaign to show the need and support for this bill," but again, the issue was not dramatic enough to have the bill con-

sidered by the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee.

In an attempt to broaden the appeal of the bill, Halpern introduced a more comprehensive "Hobby Protection Act" bill in mid-September, 1971. This time, he received the support of seven co-sponsors. The major addition to the bill was Sec. 5 (1) (D) which broadened the coverage of the legislation to include "any other item of a type or class the collection or arrangement of which constitutes a recognized hobby." The remainder of the bill reiterated the enforcement points relevant to the FTC.

Perhaps because Congress felt numismatics was not a multi-million dollar business that demanded immediate attention, perhaps because the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee had more pressing matters to deal with, no action was ever taken on H.R. 10600. In late January 1972, Rep. Harley O. Staggers, Democrat of West Virginia and chairman of the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, said in a letter to Virgil Hancock that he "hope[d] to have hearings on this legislation just as soon as our Committee schedule permits."⁶

On February 8, Halpern appealed to the House to hold hearings on the measure. But, as Virgil Hancock (perhaps the most ardent, early proponent of the measure) explained: "the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce is buried under a flood of over 2,000 different bills, and . . . simple lack of time will prevent most of the bills from having a Hearing." Hancock's report was proved to be prophetic: the hobby protection legislation died with the expiration of the 92nd Congress in January, 1973. Halpern, additionally, retired at the end of the session.

The future of hobby protection legislation did not look bleak, however. Many interested numismatists, largely at the urging of two weekly hobby periodicals (*Coin World* and *Numismatic News Weekly*) wrote both to their respective members of Con-



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Testifying on the need for protective legislation before the Subcommittee on Commerce and Finance of the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee were such hobby leaders as: l. to r., John Jay Pittman, then ANA president; Mrs. Margo Russell, executive director, Coin World; Virgil Hancock, then ANA governor; Harvey G. Stack, Stack's New York; Jeffrey Coopersmith, president of the Washington Junior Coin Club; and Chester L. Krause, publisher, Numismatic News Weekly.

gress, and various committee members, urging that hearings be held. Their voices were heard, evidently, for on Feb. 5, 1973 the original Halpern hobby protection measure was introduced by Rep. Joseph McDade, Republican of Pennsylvania. Two and a half weeks later, chairman Staggers introduced identical legislation. Apparently taking a personal interest in the bill, Staggers ordered hearings held before the Commerce and Finance Subcommittee, chaired by Rep. John Moss, Democrat of California. The hearings were immediately scheduled for Feb. 28, and a number of leading numismatists were invited to testify on the merits of the proposed legislation. Virgil Hancock, identified by Numismatic News Weekly as the person "who has been spearheading efforts to obtain such legislation," was selected by the hobbyists testifying on

the bills to lead their group.⁷

Six leading hobby figures testified before the Subcommittee on Commerce and Finance on the merits of the proposed legislation, and its various flaws. All of the witnesses recognized the need for such legislation, but it was Hancock who brought out the need to ban imported replicas that did not bear the words "copy" or "reproduction," as well as the importance of exempting "any coins or related items restruck at whatever date in any government or government authorized mint" or "any replicas or reproductions provably manufactured prior to . . . 1850 A.D." Hancock also made substantive recommendations as to how the word "copy" or "reproduction" should be placed on the coin — preferably incused "one millimeter or fifty per cent of the thickness of the imitation coin or related item."

Hancock's introductory testimony was backed up by John Jay Pittman, president of the American Numismatic Association; Harvey G. Stack, partner in Stack's, a New York City coin firm; Jeffrey Coopersmith, a Washington, D.C. young numismatist; Mrs. Margo Russell, editor of *Coin World*, and Chester L. Krause, publisher of *Numismatic News Weekly*. An impressive array of replicas, reproductions, and copies — none of which were labeled as such, and many of which were clever enough to fool experts — were also displayed. The coins, coupled with hard statistics, obviously seemed to impress Reps. Moss and Robert Eckhardt, Democrat of Texas.⁸

Eckhardt, who presided over the afternoon session of the hearing, seemed deeply concerned about the measure — particularly about the provision which left enforcement up to the Federal Trade Commission. Bringing out that the FTC is often slow in reacting to minor consumer complaints, Eckhardt proposed instead to place the onus on the individual hobbyist. "I don't think that we would do anything here that the FTC can't do," Eckhardt explained, "but we can enlarge the area of jurisdiction to do what they won't do." As it was initially explained in a "draft bill" that Eckhardt brought with him to the hearings, "[a]ny interested person shall be entitled to injunctive relief restraining violation of . . . [the Hobby Protection] Act and may sue in any district court of the United States . . . without respect to the amount in controversy."

The greatest problem, as Eckhardt then saw it, was defining what numismatic items would be protected. Not until March 19, 1973, was he satisfied with a definition of "original numismatic items," and on that date, he introduced H.R. 5777, the Hobby Protection Act just signed into law. Exactly one week later, the Commerce and Finance Subcommittee met in executive session to mark up the bill and, after making several substantive changes from the original piece of

legislation, favorably recommended it to the full committee.

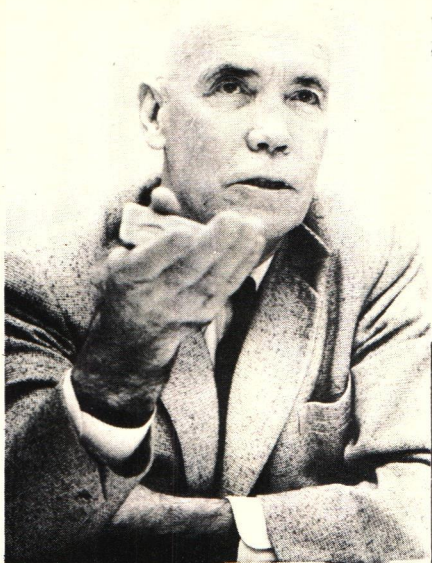
The changes recommended by the committee were substantial, but did not alter the ultimate purpose of the bill. The title was amended to more accurately reflect its purpose: "a bill to require that reproductions and imitations of coins and political items be marked as copies or with the date of manufacture."

Seven sections comprised the final bill: marking requirements, private enforcement, enforcement by Federal Trade Commission, imports, application of other law, definitions, and effective date. Each of these encompassed many portions of previous bills (including the one Eckhardt originally introduced), but had been refined by the committee and its staff to maximize effectiveness.

It had been decided that the threat of "copy" being stamped on rare reproductions was a real one under the Act, so the Act was made to apply "only to imitation political items and imitation numismatic items manufactured after the date of enactment."

Both manufacture and importation into the U.S. "of any imitation numismatic item which is not plainly and permanently marked 'copy,' is unlawful and is an unfair or deceptive act or practice in commerce," the legislation provided. *Imitation numismatic item* was defined as "an item which purports to be, but in fact is not, an original numismatic item, or which is a reproduction, copy or counterfeit of an original numismatic item" [which in turn is defined as "any thing which has been a part of coinage or issue which has been used in exchange or has been used to commemorate a person or event"].

Imported hobby items manufactured in violation of the bill would be "subject to seizure and forfeiture under the customs laws," and charges of violation could either be made by the individual or by the Federal Trade Commission. The FTC was charged with the responsibility of developing



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Virgil Hancock, former ANA governor, spearheaded efforts to support hobby protection legislation. He is seen here testifying at a crucial subcommittee hearing.

standards under which rules for marking the pieces could be formulated.

Legislative maneuvering began at a fairly swift pace. Two weeks after the subcommittee acted favorably on the measure, the bill came before the full Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee. Chairman Staggers gavelled the executive session of the committee to order April 11, and minutes later the committee gave its stamp of approval. Although Eckhardt had hoped to place H.R. 5777 on the consent calendar of the House, Staggers decided that a vote was necessary. The principle reason for this decision was that antique glass collectors had sought similar legislation from the committee, but because of possible production repercussions within the glass industry, their petition had been denied. Staggers felt that it was possible that the glassware collectors could successfully oppose a "unanimous consent" resolution.

Finally, the bill was placed on the

House calendar for May 15, 1973. The House Rules Committee granted one hour of debate, half the time to be controlled by the Democrats, the remainder by the Republicans.⁹

A change in the legislative program resulted in a delay in presenting the Hobby Protection bill to the House that day, but on May 16, the House convened at noon and the proposal was the first item on the legislative calendar. Following the morning remarks of several representatives, a House quorum call was sounded at 12:25 p.m. A total of 382 members responded by recording their presence using the electronic voting equipment that has replaced the antiquated, time consuming practice of calling each member's name on a roll call vote.

Preliminary to consideration of the Hobby Protection Act was House Resolution 390, the Rules Committee bill that permitted H.R. 5777 to be discussed by the House. Following the consent to H. Res. 390, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the consideration of the Hobby Protection legislation.

Staggers made a brief introduction to the bill urging its passage. "[O]ther countries have been sending in imitation coins and other numismatic materials . . . [w]e are just trying to stop that. We think this is a good bill . . ." Rep. James T. Broyhill, Republican of North Carolina, managed the minority presentation of the proposal. "This legislation has not received a great deal of publicity," he began, "[b]ut it will, if passed, offer needed protection to a steadily increasing number of American citizens." He concluded by recommending it "to my colleagues for their approval."

After a reading of the bill, the committee's amended version was substituted, and the bill opened to floor amendment. Rep. H. R. Gross, Republican of Iowa, known among his colleagues as a legislative gadfly, interrupted to query why the bill "did

not come up under unanimous consent."

"Could it be," Gross inquired, "that it was necessary to have something before us today merely to say the House had some business?" Gross then launched into a criticism of the House Rules Committee for its failure the previous day to pass a rule on an important postal bill.

Finally, the matter was at hand: the hour of truth had arrived. The Speaker of the House resumed the chair and called the question on the passage of the bill. Upon objection of a member that a quorum was not present, the Speaker called for a vote using the electronic apparatus. "The electronic voting device is not operating properly," were the next words heard, and an old-fashioned roll call vote ensued.

The Record does not indicate the pandemonium that ensued, but each Congressman entering the august chamber first tried to use the electronic device and, that failing, queried a nearby colleague as to what the trouble was. The din of 389 members was a loud one, above which was heard the Clerk of the House calling each of the 435 members' names. As the member responded, the Clerk repeated the "aye" or "nay" response and proceeded to the next representative's name.

Twice this procedure was repeated, allowing those members who were not present for the first calling of their names to register their vote. After three quarters of an hour, the final tally was announced: in favor of the Hobby Protection Act (H.R. 5777), 382 members; opposed: 7 members; not voting: 44 members. The bill had successfully passed the House. Now consideration by the Senate was the major obstacle to passing the bill into law.

Under normal procedures of the Senate any bill passed by the House is referred to the appropriate committee of the upper chamber. Consideration is not automatic, however; without

support, the measure could easily lie fallow in committee.

On May 23, 1973, Sen. Vance Hartke, Democrat of Indiana, introduced S. 1880 as a companion measure to H.R. 5777, the bill passed in the House a week earlier. Ten colleagues agreed to co-sponsor the bill, which was referred to the Senate Commerce Committee for appropriate action. The committee was slow to take action on the measure because the bill did "not have enough priority," as one staff member explained it. In mid-June, committee chairman Warren G. Magnuson, Democrat of Washington noted that "[t]he legislation has been referred to our Consumer Subcommittee, and will be taken up as soon as other priorities permit." On July 11, the committee met in executive session and decided to order the bill reported without amendment; two weeks later, as the August recess loomed in the horizon, Magnuson reported the bill. On July 31, six days after the bill was formally reported, it was considered by the Senate for final action. Passage, however, was far from assured. By historical accident, one of the most uncontroversial bills considered by Congress during the 1st session of the 93rd Congress was about to become the center of a maelstrom aimed at the economic policies of the Nixon Administration. Particularly, Hobby Protection became the tool by which proponents of mandatory fuel allocation hoped to promulgate their views. Additionally, it became the focal point of critics of the Nixon-declared price freeze on beef prices.

In brief, when the Senate began debate on the Hobby Protection bill, it had no thought of challenging the original intent of the legislation. Rather, as Congress rushed toward recess, the Senate seized an available vehicle on which it could place amendments designed to prevent an event with had yet to occur (a fuel shortage) and one which already had (a beef shortage). Purely by historical accident, the

Hobby Protection Act was the vehicle seized. Already passed by the House of Representatives, any Senate amendments would have to be reconsidered by that body; if that were agreed to, then the hobby aspect of the legislation, along with the Senate amendments regarding fuel allocation and an end to the beef price freeze, would be sent to the White House for signature.

Senate action occurred as planned. After introducing the hobby bill, Senator Henry Jackson, Democrat of Washington proposed his mandatory fuel allocation amendment; extensive debate followed. Next came an amendment designed to lift the beef price freeze. When the smoke cleared on Aug. 2, the Senate had voted unanimously, 87 to 0, in favor of the Hobby Protection Act containing the two key amendments not germane to the purpose of the bill. The bill was returned to the House for reconsideration.

The House refused to act on the Senate amendments, and when both bodies recessed on Aug. 5, a deadlocked situation existed. Congress returned from recess in early September, and shortly thereafter, the beef price freeze was lifted. One amendment was therefore made moot. The fuel allocation amendment remained at issue, however, and as evidence of a critical gas shortage mounted, it once again became possible for the Hobby Protection act to figure prominently in the political machinations of Washington. Other

legislative remedies were sought, however, and on Nov. 16, the Senate acted under its unanimous consent rule and receded to the House on both of its amendments. The bill was forwarded to the White House November 19, 1973, to await President Nixon's signature.

Nearly five years of maneuvering led to passage of the Hobby Protection Act. In reality, steering the legislation from birth into law is a lesson in numismatic civics. It is an important one, too, for it shows how our legislative branch of government operates, and how the citizen can participate in our democracy. As law of the land, the Hobby Protection Act is not a panacea; rather it is an important tool that each numismatist can help enforce. The government has given the collector protection; now it is up to the collector to make the most of it.

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FOOTNOTES

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²H.R. 9448, 91st Cong., 1st sess., Sec. 3.

³Although the bill does not exempt older replicas now collected by numismatists (and it seems clear that McClure did not intend for these rarities to be affected), it was possible that under Sec. 3 of H.R. 9448, the Secretary of Commerce could have exempted known, collectable replicas and restrikes.

⁴H.R. 9780, 92d Cong., 1st sess. ["A Bill to protect hobbyists against the reproduction or manufacture of imitation hobby items and to provide additional protection for American hobbyists"].

⁵Apparently, the FTC already had the power to take action against manufacturers of unmarked replicas, but because of more pressing consumer protection matters, had been slow to react to complaints. See, generally, *Hearings before the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, Subcommittee on Commerce and Finance*, hereinafter cited as *Hearings*, Feb. 28, 1973. See, also, "Hobby Leaders Testify on Need for Legislation," *Numismatic News Weekly*, cited hereinafter as *NNW*, (Mar. 13, 1973) pp. 1, 14. Also note "Numismatists Urge Passage of Hobby Protection Legislation," *Coin World*, cited hereinafter as *CW*, (Mar. 14, 1973), esp. p. 28.

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- * Others included: Jeffrey Coopersmith, Chester L. Krause, John Jay Pittman, Margo Russell, and Harvey G. Stack. Information concerning these individuals found in body text.
- * Evidently, it also impressed the Washington Post reporter covering the hearing. A full story, featuring a photograph of all the coins on display, appeared March 4, 1973. See also CW (March 14, 1973) and NNW (March 13, 1973) for their photo-coverage of the Hearings.
- * This is a common rule of the House on non-controversial bills on which there is a vote. Staggers, as chairman of the committee, controlled time on the first half hour. Rep. James T. Broyhill, Republican of North Carolina, controlled the remaining time.

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Changing Faces

Alex G. Malloy, a New York dealer of ancient and medieval coins and anti-iquities, has announced the appointment of Carl Sandler Berkowitz to manage his New York City gallery. Berkowitz is both a numismatist and an archaeologist and is currently completing his doctorate in Classical Archaeology at the University of Missouri.

John S. Queen, former vice president at Paramount International Coin Corporation, has resigned that position to enter business for himself.

Max J. Humbert, president and chairman of the board of Paramount International, has announced the appointment of Steven Linder to the position assistant to the vice president, Marketing. He is a graduate of Ohio Northern University with a degree in Political Science.

John V. Kamin, editor of *The Forecaster*, was recently elected vice president of the International Investment Letter Association at their annual meeting in Montreal. He is a regular contributor to various economic and numismatic magazines.



President Culver and Ray Byrne toast the new year at the recent Sphinx Society gathering.

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

VIRGINIA CULVER

Adding strength to our team at ANA headquarters, your board of governors approved the appointment of N. Neil Harris as editor of *The Numismatist*. Neil has been on the staff of Purdue University in Lafayette, Indiana, in the School of Veterinary Medicine where he was in charge of all graphics. You know him as the historian of ANA, a duty which he will continue to fulfill. He and his family have found a home in Colorado Springs, and he will have assumed his duties as your editor by the time you read this. We are not only adding other qualified personnel so badly needed in Colorado Springs — in Neil we have enthusiasm and dedication also! While numismatics is indeed a hobby, the headquarters operation is and should be run as a business.

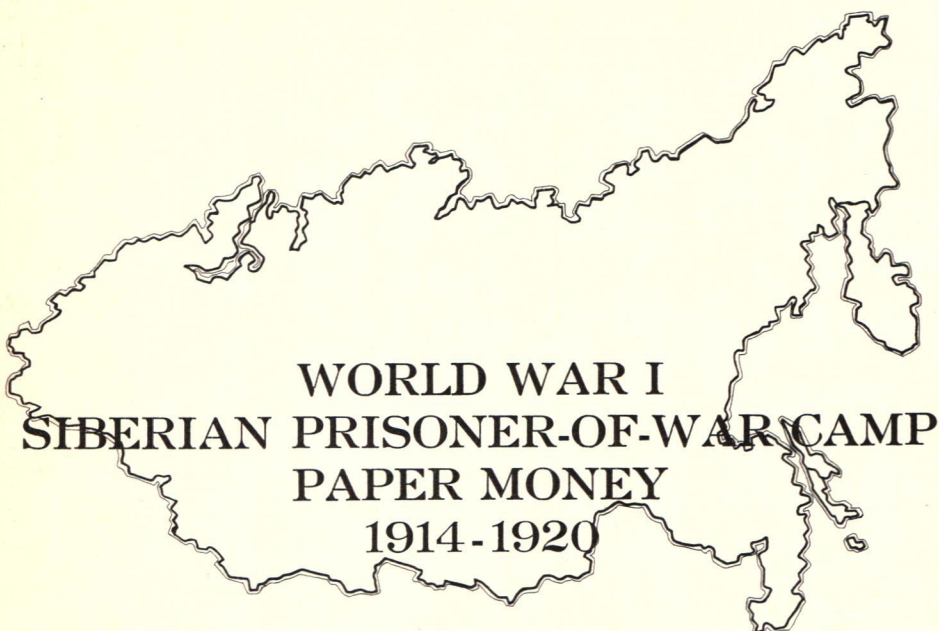
It was a unique pleasure to be invited to attend the Sphinx Society's Christmas celebration in Pittsburgh. The seasonal joy of the occasion was evident throughout the evening, but a more important aspect of this Society was present. It can be put into words best by quoting from its Bylaws and History Booklet. "The ten year history of this Society has been one of utmost interest and complete cordiality. Each member, in his individual manner, has given to all of us the tremendous benefits of his particular knowledge pertaining to his chosen and specialized field of numismatics." The spirit of giving and sharing numismatic knowledge sometimes gets upstaged by the intricacies of organizations and their functions.

Your board of governors approved the plans drawn up for the Museum of Modern Medallion Art on the lower level at headquarters. This project has been funded largely through the generosity of the Joseph M. Segel family donation. This is an advantageous time for this development due to the curtailment of building activities in Colorado Springs. Our executive director, Edward C. Rochette, has had several meetings with the architect, and plans are proceeding toward the building contract. With our bicentennial nearing, this section of the display area will be of special interest to visitors.

It is a great honor to represent such a fine organization as the ANA, and always a pleasure to meet with those that I have not known before. I do hope and expect to meet many more of you in the near future.

Virginia

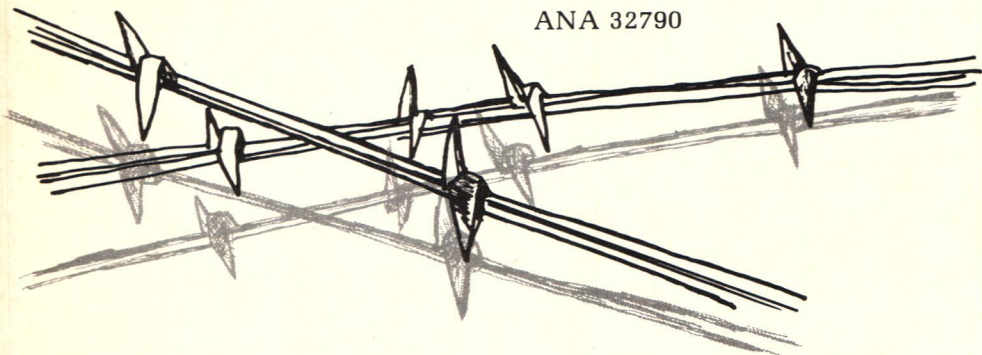
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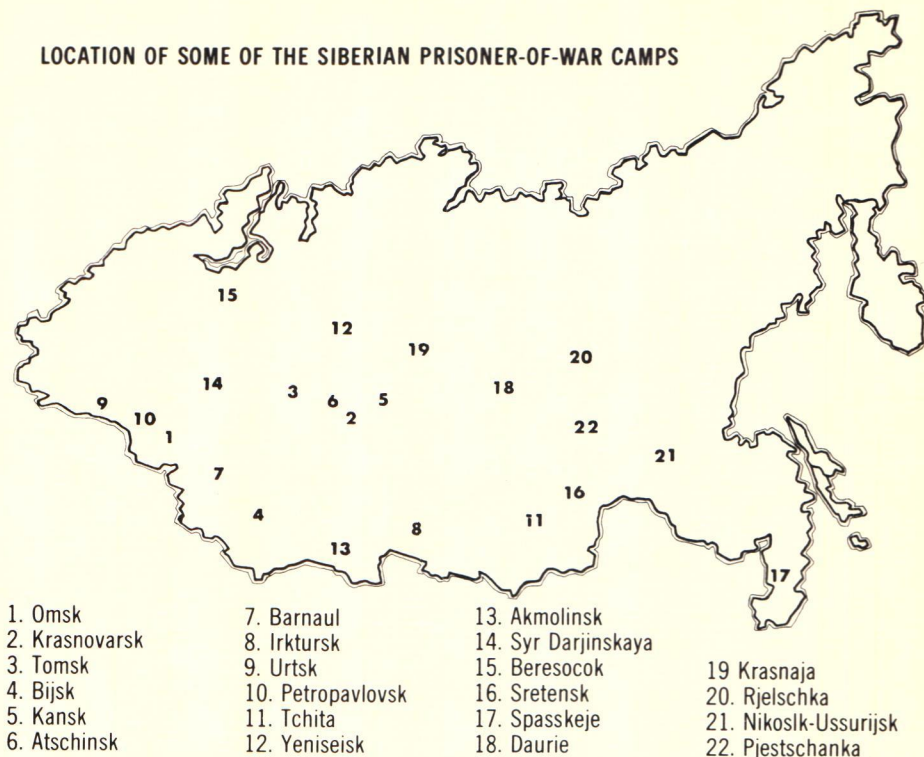
**WORLD WAR I
SIBERIAN PRISONER-OF-WAR CAMP
PAPER MONEY
1914-1920**

My sincere hope is that this article will prove valuable not only to those few who may have these notes in their collections, but that it will also illustrate to all readers the extent that man will go to provide himself with money in order to obtain the necessities of life.

Victor C. Seibert
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LOCATION OF SOME OF THE SIBERIAN PRISONER-OF-WAR CAMPS



(Although the actual years of the World War I were 1914-1918, an additional two years are included in this account to include some of the soldiers imprisoned in these camps as a result of military action during the Russian Civil War and Foreign Interventionist Period—1918-1921).

A few catalogues of the World War I Siberian Prisoner-of-War Camp paper money do exist, for example: Kardakoff, "Katalog der Geldscheine von Russland und der Baltischen Staaten," pages 260-274; Denis, "Catalogue des Monnaies émises sur le Territoire de la Russie," pages 107-108; Chuchin, "Catalogue of Bonds and Paper Money of Russia," pages 110-111. These are of great value but do not give the historical background, the causes for their issue, nor the problems encountered in their make-up and printing. It is the intent of this article to present all facets of these notes.

Since the Imperial Russian army was unusually successful in the first year of the World War I about two million prisoners were taken, mostly

Austrians and Hungarians. So a large number of these prisoner-of-war camps were necessary. According to the Young Men's Christian Association's publication, "Services With the Fighting Men," Russia established 771 such camps in Russia and 120 in Siberia. These prisoner-of-war camps were established in accordance with Second Hague Convention of 1907 which allowed "Prisoners of war may be interned in a town, fortress, camp, or other place and bound not to go beyond certain fixed limits; but they cannot be confined except as an indispensable measure of safety and only while the circumstances which necessitate the measure to exist." This article will now concern itself only with the

Siberian camps.

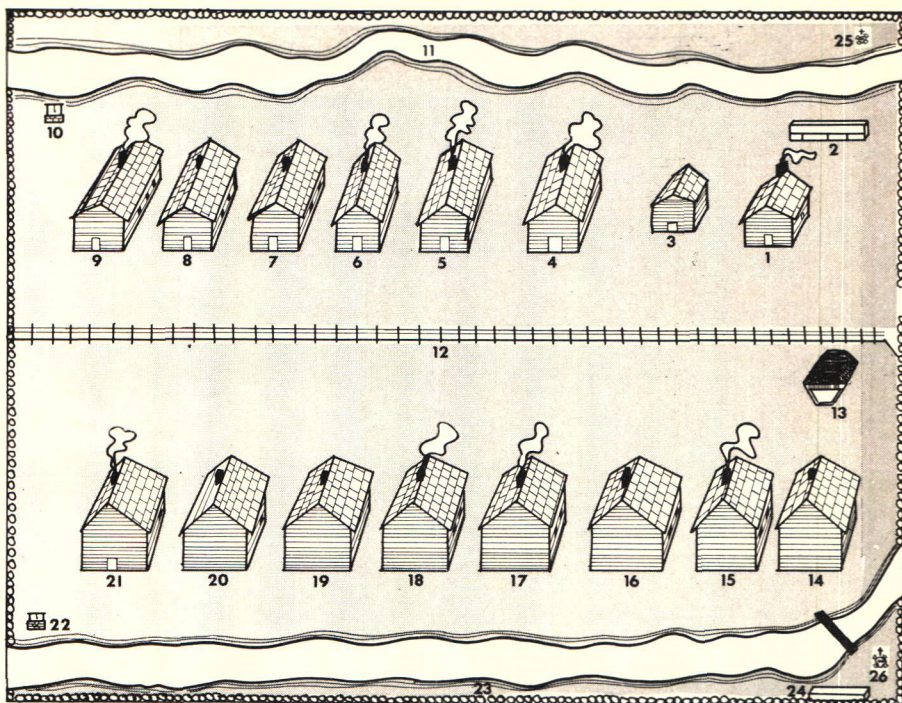
For the purpose of this article it would be tiring to name all of the 120 prisoner-of-war camps located in Siberia. Suffice it to say that these were some of the locations: Omsk, Kansk, Atschinsk, Barnaul, Beresocok, Bijsk, Dauria, Krasnaja, Rjelschka, Krasnowarsk, Nilolsk-Ussurysk, Petropawlovsk, Pjestschanka, Tomsk, Tschita, Sretensk and Spasskaje. No evidence has been found by this author that these camps were ever located within the city; but rather that they were some distance from the city to make escape more difficult. About 46 per cent of the prisoners taken by the Russian Imperial Army were imprisoned in Siberian camps and 54 per cent in the camps in Russia itself.

It can be expected that in the 120 camps there would be some variation as to arrangement and in structural features. So, the description given to them herein is one that is based on information given in such books as "Service with Fighting Men" and "Siberia and the Exile System." Since most of the Siberian camps were located in the Taiga region, the structures were made of the native lumber found in the camp's locale. The camp site was usually located on low, marshy ground near a stream which would provide drinking water procured from the upside of the camp and a waste disposal system at the downside of the camp. From a distance the camp looked like a cattle stable with its squared and unpainted logs. The camp itself was almost always in a square shape. On the east side was a stockade wall of square logs twenty-five feet high; with a gate constantly guarded within and without. Near the northeast corner was the "canteen" or supply depot also made of squared logs. In it were stored beds, bedding, food, and small articles for prisoner's personal use as: playing cards, tobacco, fire wood, and tea. West of it was the mess hall for the officers. This had board floors, long wooden tables with

benches attached, a stove in the middle of the hall and a kitchen and small pantry.

Next to the officers' mess hall were the officers' quarters which usually had a capacity of 1,000 men to the hall. The long barracks was half buried in the ground and half above the ground. This was done so to reduce the cost of construction and also for warmth from the fierce Siberian winters. The windows were at ground level. Next to it was the building in which were stored the officers' personal belongings that they did not wish to keep in the barracks because of lack of room or for protection from it being stolen or damaged. This was required by Article IV of Chapter II Prisoner of War of the Second Hague Convention of 1907. All of the spaces between the buildings were filled with a 25-foot high wall. The west boundary was this high wall. In the middle of the south side were the barracks for the non-commissioned soldiers. These were similar in shape to the officers' barracks but much more crudely and poorly constructed. According to records consulted and compared, it cost the Russian Imperial Government an average of 52,000 rubles to construct one of these camps. The only toilet facilities were out-of-door toilets or no toilets at all. These were located on the downside of the stream that ran through the camp.

In describing the average prisoner it must be remembered that many times there were as many as 30,000 men in a single camp. Very seldom, indeed, was a prisoner-of-war camp found where conditions were sanitary and livable. In the average camp each prisoner had a hard wooden planked bed that had neither mattress nor springs. He was issued a pillow and blanket and went to bed with his clothes on. If he desired an extra blanket to protect himself from the Siberian cold he had to buy it with his own money or tried to keep himself warm with his army coat. According to the existing Imperial Russian law of that date, each prisoner



LEGEND OF SIBERIAN PRISONER-OF-WAR CAMP SKETCH

1. Canteen for luxuries and necessities of life.
2. Latrine for officers.
3. Depository for valuables of prisoners on their persons when they arrived.
- 4-6 and 8-9. Barracks for officers.
7. Mess Hall for officers.
10. Water well for officers' water supply.
11. Branch of stream that passed through the camp.
12. Barbed wire fence that separated officers' section from non-commissioned men.
13. Dugout for steam bath.
- 14-20. Barracks for non-commissioned men.
21. Mess hall for non-commissioned men.
22. Water well for non-commissioned men's water supply.
23. Branch of stream that passed through the camp.
24. Latrine for non-commissioned men.
25. Cemetery for officers.
26. Cemetery for non-commissioned men.

of war was issued the following clothes: one linen shirt and one pair of linen trousers every six months; one cap, one pair of thick trousers and one grey overcoat every year; one outer coat of sheep-skin every two years; one pair of loose boots every 3½ months in winter and a pair of low

shoes every 22 days in summer. The following were the daily rations that the prisoner could buy: 3 pounds of black rye bread; about 4 ounces of meat including the bone; a small quantity of barley, which was generally put into the water in which the meat was boiled making it into a soup; and a

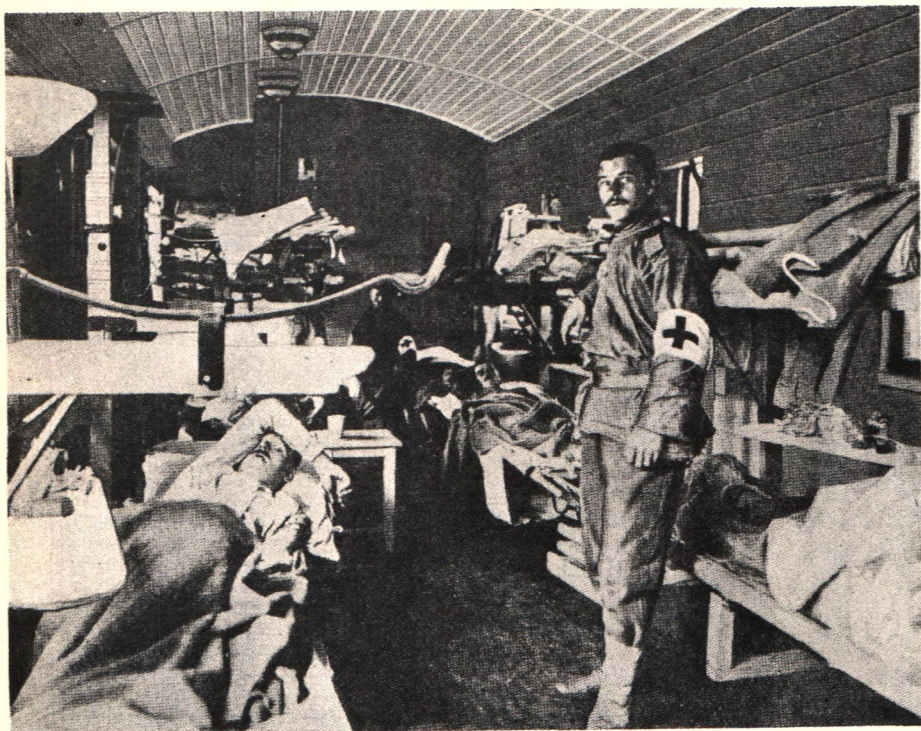
little brick tea. On special occasions they could buy a potato and a few leaves of cabbage. Both had to be paid for extra.

Breakfast consisted of the tea and some of the black rye bread. The midday meal was a cold meal of black rye bread and a portion of the meat. The evening meal was the remaining meat, the barley soup, brick tea and the black rye bread. The average cost of this food and his clothing amounted to about 50 rubles a year or about 14 kopeks a day. An explanation will be given later on how the prisoner earned the money to pay for these necessities and how he earned extra money to buy such luxuries as tobacco, playing cards, and extra tea.

The floors of the barracks were rough, uneven and bare and made of uncured native lumber. As time went

on these boards warped and dried out leaving large cracks between the boards. The dampness under the barracks caused some of the boards to rot and give away. Into these dark holes were thrown the garbage and refuse adding its stench to the already polluted air in the barracks.

As one stepped down the two or three steps to enter the semi-buried barracks he was met by the stench from inside even before he opened the heavy planked door. The odor was characteristic of all prison camps and was caused by lack of proper ventilation, filthy clothes, rotting refuse, infested wounds, smoke from the stove, unclean toilet habits of the wounded and tobacco smoke. The barracks were dimly lit as the only light was from the few heavily grated windows which frequently were almost blocked on



Hospital Facilities available to World War I wounded. This railroad car that has been converted to a hospital shows the general arrangement and meagre medical facilities available to the sick in the locale of the prisoner camps.

the outside by the Siberian drifted snow. The floor was damp except near the stove located in the center of the room. This stove was of the type so common in Russia of sixty years ago. It was built of stone about 10 feet in diameter and four feet high. The top was flattened so that a few could sleep on it on cold nights.

The inside walls were white-washed when the barracks were first built, but they soon became dark and grimy. Many blood-stained blotches appeared everywhere on the walls where the prisoners had swatted bed bugs and other vermin in an effort to protect themselves from these troublesome pests. On Saturdays each prisoner physically able had to take his bed apart and kill all vermin found thereon or in his clothes. Then he was given bed post canisters which he filled with petrol so that the vermin would be discouraged from crawling into the "clean" bed. The petrol and the cost of the wood to burn in the stove for warmth had to be paid for by the prisoners on a pro-rated basis.

Since most of the military action between Russia and its enemies — Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria and Germany—occurred in Western Russia, the prisoners of war had to be shipped thousands of miles to these prisoner camps. They were herded into cattle and third-class railroad cars and began their journey on the Trans-Siberian Railway. Into these cars were placed the healthy, sick and wounded, and the commander of each train was charged with the delivery at the camp in Siberia with the same number of soldiers with which he started at the front. Frequently some of the wounded died enroute but their bodies were not removed from the train because the commander was accountable for a particular number of soldiers.

These cars were crowded beyond capacity and this added to the discomfort of the prisoners. As the train rattled ever eastward day and night, the prisoners became more and more discouraged and realized that

their chances for escape were remote. As they peered through the cracks in the cars at the falling snow they knew that their life at the camp would tax their very strength. For the two meals served daily to the prisoners on the way to the camp, the train would stop in some village along the railway and the local natives would feed them as horse-mounted Cossacks guarded the prisoners. The natives served an excellent meal for 25 kopecks which the prisoner paid himself. The meal consisted of roasted goose with its trimmings, black rye bread and tea. After perhaps a week of travel day and night with the wounded and even dead, the train pulled onto a switch and every prisoner knew that he had arrived at the end of the line. Eagerly he peered out through the car door cracks and saw before him a small village and hoped that this was the camp. But, no. After dismounting and counting all soldiers—dead and alive—the living and able were lined up and the long march of many miles to the prisoner-of-war camp began. The wounded that were unable to march under their own power were brought on litters. Upon arrival each prisoner was checked in and he began his life as a prisoner-of-war.

CAMP LIFE

If weather permitted, the prisoners could go into the court yard for walking and such pastime as they themselves could devise. If they could not be outside—and this was most of the time since the Siberian winters were long and severe with temperatures going to 60° F below zero—they played cards, gambled, sang, told stories and just loafed. This living in close quarter, in vermin-infested areas, with wounded buddies, hopelessness, poor food, insane prisoners, unsanitary conditions and inactivity caused many to become insane and they added to the trying conditions. Fights were frequent during the frigid weather as the prisoners fought to see who would be

the one to sleep near the stove. Newspapers, which arrived only about once each six weeks were read and reread until completely worn out. Each letter received was read aloud and then jealously and reverently kept by the recipient in his bed-sized kingdom. The sick were seldom treated as about the only medical facilities available were the infrequent visits by the understaffed medical personnel from the YMCA and the Red Cross. In such cases the insane were removed and sent to a mental institution at Omsk and the medical staff of 3 or 4 would move in a few days to another camp because they had such a large territory to service.

Physically able officers were permitted to go to the village once a month with a guard to take monthly baths in a steam house. In a few of the prison camps a steam house was a part of the prisoner camp. The "bath house" was a miserable structure of wood and stone with a stone stove. The officer would pay 50 kopeks for 3 ladles of water which he would pour onto the hot stone stove. This caused the water to

vaporize and caused the officer to perspire freely giving him a bath. This cleared his pores. Some officers could stand only 2 ladles of water as it caused the skin to turn scarlet, like a boiled lobster. The non-commissioned men got a bath only if it was warm enough for them to be able to go to the stream in the corner of the camp and pour a bucketful of river water over themselves. If the prisoner had any money he could go to the canteen "Lakka" and buy himself playing cards, sugar, tobacco, etc. However, this was seldom the case as each prisoner had to buy his food, share of fuel, extra clothing, petrol, and writing materials out of the 50 rubles given each person by the Imperial Government in accordance with International Law. Each person was permitted to write 4 cards and 1 letter per month. The cards were so small that only 3 or 4 sentences could be written on them. Frequently, his allowance arrived late and this made life even more trying.

Living under such intolerable conditions naturally resulted in an extremely high death rate as very contagious



Officers' Barrack. This photograph shows the living quarters of the officers imprisoned in the prisoner-of-war camp. As stated in the caption, there were 1,000 officers in this barrack. Each officer's "empire" consisted of his board bed and the small space on the rack above his head.

diseases broke out and swept unchecked through the crowded camps where medical facilities frequently were meagre or lacking entirely. The following statistics will reveal the tragic medical conditions of the prisoners.

PERCENTAGE OF SICK RATE AMONG PRISONERS.

CAMP	SICKNESS RATE PER YEAR.
Marinsk	11.9
Kamisklova	21.2
Turinsk	21.7
Nuniinsk	26.3
Barnaul	37.1
Biisk	37.9
Kansk	43.1
Tukalinsk	47.0
Tara	48.1
Kuznetsh	52.0

Incidents of two major diseases are reflected in these statistics;

TYPHUS

CAMP	PERCENTAGE OF PRISONERS AFFECTED
Achinsk	10.8
Irkutsk	11.8
Irbit	12.0
Krasnovarsk	12.2
Marinsk	13.1
Ishim	16.6
Perm	17.5
Tuimen	23.2
Tiretski	32.9
Sheragulski	39.1
Beriesinki	43.0
Tomsk	62.6
Kalivan	77.7

SCURVY

Chita	10.7
Alexandrafsk	13.2
Verkhni Udinsk	13.7
Barnaul	14.5
Kara	15.0
Ekaterinburg	15.7
Krasnovarsk	16.5
Yakutsk	19.6
Khabarofka	22.8
Nerchinsk	23.6
Balagansk	28.4

In the prisoner-of-war camp located at Tuimen the following are the rates of deaths of those that were admitted to the hospital:

1918 — 34.95%	1921 — 44.10%
1919 — 36.92	1922 — 32.25
1920 — 41.42	

The death rate in some camps from typhus reached as high as 17,000 of the 25,000 that were imprisoned there over a span of six years. The disease spread so rapidly because of the close confinement of the prisoners, the lack of separation of the sick from the well, lack of medical help; and impure drinking water. The water supply was hauled from the stream in the camp barrels and was sold to the prisoners by dipperful. The camps were frequently located in that part of Siberia where permafrost existed. In such locations it was not possible to bury the dead until the spring thaw arrived.

In the meantime bodies were stored in dugouts or piled up like cordwood in one corner close to the prison awaiting the arrival of spring. They then were buried in the cemetery outside the camp. The YMCA's staff was able to reach only about 80,000 of the Siberian prisoners because they were so understaffed, the climate prevented travel for long periods of time, and the camps were so far apart.

Escape was almost unheard of, not only because of the presence of guards, but because of the remoteness of the locations of the camps. Even if a prisoner was able to elude the prison guards and escape from the encampment, he was thousands of miles from his homeland and every mile was through territory known for its severe weather and rugged terrain.

MONEY NEEDED

Mention has been made frequently of some item and its cost to the prisoner. A summary of the items that had to be paid for by the prisoner included: clothing, bedding, food, drinking water, bath water for officers, firewood, items of correspondence, and luxuries as cards, tobacco, sugar.

These were the sources from which the prisoner got money for these items:

1. Personal accounts at the time of his capture.
2. Government payment by the Imperial Government in accordance with the Articles of War.
3. Government payment for labor performed for the government as cutting timber or mining.
4. Work performed by trusties in the neighborhood of the camp.
5. Printed their own camp paper money.

Some of the prisoners upon arrival at the camp still had in their possession small amounts of money that they had when captured. But these were soon exhausted to get items that they first thought that they had to have.

In accordance with the Articles of War each prisoner was to be given 50 rubles per year for his sustenance and health. At the conclusion of peace terms the "home" country of the prisoner was expected to reimburse the Russian Imperial Government all of the money that it had expended on the care of the prisoner. However, even at a meager 14 kopeks per day for food, it can be seen that the 50 rubles per year would not even pay for his food alone. This left him nothing for water, fuel, and other necessities of life. This shortage resulted in missed meals, and other "cuts" in the necessities of life, so that the 50 rubles would last until the next payment was received. To supplement this shortage, gambling and even theft was common among the prisoners.

The Imperial Government had various jobs that prisoners of war could perform and so they were offered these jobs and were paid for their labor. This system was authorized by the Second Hague Convention of 1907, which states: "The state may utilize the labor of prisoners of war according to their rank and aptitude, officers excepted. The tasks shall not be excessive and shall have no connection with the operations of the war.

"Prisoners may be authorized to

work for the public service, for private persons or on their own account.

"Work done for the State is paid at the rates in force for work of a similar kind done by soldiers of the national army, or, if there are none in force, at a rate according to the work executed.

"When the work is for other branches of public service or for private persons, the conditions are settled in agreement with the military authorities.

"The wages of the prisoners shall go towards improving their position, and the balance shall be paid them on their release, after deducting the cost of their maintenance."

And so whenever the situation revealed itself some of the prisoners were removed from the prisoner-of-war camp and moved to the place of employment. Czechoslovakian prisoners-of-war found themselves in a variety of places and occupations. Since they were Slaveplules they were generally given larger liberation than were the German, Austrian, and Hungarian prisoners. Many of the Czechoslovakian prisoners were skilled workers and so they were in demand for munition factories, where they received a wage equal to 1/3 of that of Russian mechanics. The munition works at Taganrog employed 1700 Czechoslovakian prisoners. These were so trusted that they were allowed the liberty of the city. They laid aside 1/10 of their wages earned to promote the independence of their nation. Other prisoners did not fare so well as hundreds of Czechoslovakian, German, and Magyar prisoners perished miserably in building the Murmansk Railway. Others fell victims to heavy labor on the steppes of Turkestan as they were compelled to make huts from materials that they had to carry upon their backs many miles. Others died by the thousands because of sandstorms, malaria, typhus, exposure and homesickness as they built the railroad from Bukhara to the Afghan border. Other governmental

jobs included logging for more prison camps, rails for railroads, firewood for locomotives and general purpose lumber. Mining not only for coal for heat but for locomotives, and the mining of other minerals were performed by prisoners. Phosphates were also mined for the use of the munition factories.

At harvest time and other busy seasons on the farms, some prisoners were hired by these farmers and paid by them. This was always a joy to the lucky prisoner for it meant not only a little extra money but far more important to him was the fresh air and food that he would be able to enjoy while away from the prison camp. This category did not empty large quantities of prisoners but it did relieve some from the hopeless home.

Regardless of what category the prisoner was fortunate enough to earn extra money in, he was paid Imperial paper money. Unfortunately no provision was made in the Articles of War that the prisoner-of-war allowance would be changed in accordance with inflationary prices and the devaluation of the Imperial notes. So as the war progressed and the prices of the items purchased rose steadily in price and as the confidence dwindled in the Imperial Government's ability to rule, the paper money devaluated steadily until by 1917 and 1918 it was worth only a small fraction of its normal pre-war value. In fact in some localities the prisoner-of-war had difficulty in passing the Imperial notes. This added to the misery of the prisoner.

PRINTING THEIR OWN

The fate of the prisoner-of-war became most desperate and actually hopeless as the political upheavals occurred. In April 1917, the Imperial Government abdicated and ceased to exist. Now came the Provisionary Government under Kerensky and it said that it had no responsibility to continue the payment of the 50 rubles to each prisoner-of-war since it did

not capture them. Also, since the financial condition of the Russian state was precarious, it was not in a position to pay the 50 rubles to the prisoner. Then in November 1917, there was another upheaval when Lenin's Red Army was able to overthrow the Kerensky Provisionary Government. At first the Lenin Government planned to operate without the use of money and so the Siberian prisoners no longer received the 50 rubles. Then in 1918 events occurred that made the situation even more hopeless for the prisoners. The White Guards and Foreign Interventionists under Admiral Kolchak, Ataman Semenoff, and others captured a large part of the territory in which these camps were located. They also maintained that the prisoners were not theirs and therefore they were not responsible for them. Lenin's Bolshevik Government could not get into the territory to make the 50 ruble payment as the territory was in the hands of its enemies even when the Bolsheviks had established a monetary system. In the meantime the prisoners-of-war became desperate and drastic action had to be taken for him to survive. Necessity forced him to print his own paper money for his camp.

Not all of the Siberian prisoner-of-war camps printed their own paper money. After much research we find that the following camps did print their own paper money. (In some cases two spellings are listed for a camp): Atschinsk, Barnaul (Barnaoul), Beresowka (Berezovka), Bijsk (Biisk), Dauria, Kansk, Krasnaja Rjetschka (Krasnaia Retska), Krasnovarsk, Nikolsk-Ussurijsk (Nicol'sk-Oussourisky), Petropawlowsk (Petropavlosk), Pjestschanka (Pestchanka), Skobelew (Skoblef), Spasskoje, Sretensk, Tchita (Tschita), Tomsk, Troizkossawsk, Zairkutnyj Gorodok.

Although we have proof of these 19 camps issuing paper money, one other type exists and it is known as Barare-

jnaja. This was not a camp but a Regimentary note that was acceptable in any place of business and any prisoner-of-war camp.

While these 19 camps each issued different types of notes, it appears that all used about the same methods to print them. In a few cases they were actually printed by a printing company in the vicinity of the camp. However most camps printed their own. So, the description will be given in general terms and if there were any unusual techniques used at any camp, that fact will be pointed out in describing that particular camp's notes.

The need for the camp printing its own paper money was the same at each camp — the failure of the prisoners of getting the Government issued payment as provided in the Articles of War and the inevitable result—starvation from lack of money.

First, the prisoner committee would have to secure the permission from the camp authorities to issue their own paper money. This could only be done if the local personnel near the camp would agree to accept the prisoner-of-war notes in exchange for food items, fuel, and personal items that the canteen would have to purchase locally to replenish the shelves. This usually would not be difficult to obtain as the citizenry was already besieged by a variety of notes issued by the Imperial Government, the Provisionary Government and a mass of scrips and tokens issued by industries, religious bodies, schools, clubs and cooperatives. They said, "Another one? Why not?"

After having secured the permission for such notes, the committee was faced with the most serious problems of all—where would they get the required supplies? Paper was frequently not available and there was no money to order such paper. So a call went out to all prisoners-of-war of that camp that they were to send to the committee any paper that was blank or even blank on one side. So, personal letters, blank wrapping paper, blank sides of

announcements from the building bulletin board fly leaves from books served as sources of paper. So, it is not unusual to find printing on the reverse of some of the prisoner-of-war notes. Such printing on the reverse often had no relation to the note itself.

The printing press problem was just as perplexing for there were no presses available at many of the camps or even in the neighboring villages. This was still the period of the history of Russia when the printed word was totally unfamiliar and unavailable to the peasants and especially so to the far away Siberian people. So a search was usually made for a hand printing press and if none of these was available, they would rely on a wine press. These presses when found were cleaned and set up with slight modification for the printing of the paper money.

Ink also was not available to these remote areas and so the prisoners had to manufacture their inks. Lampblack was usually one of the ingredients for their ink. The prisoners made this lampblack by the same method as was invented by Wei Tong about 500 A. D. This method consisted of placing a number of well-lighted wicks in vessels full of oil, while over it they placed a dome or funnel-like cover of iron. When it was well covered with lampblack, the sooty substance was brushed off and collected in a vessel or bottle. When oil was not available at the camp for the lamps, fire wood was used in its place, but this made an inferior grade of ink. At some of the camps the prisoners would add shoe blacking paste or stove polishing paste to the soot-petrol mixture. If these were not available or the deep black color was not desired for ink, a brownish ink was made by squeezing the juice from the green walnuts shells or husks. Other camps used bluish home made ink made from the juice of pokeberry or other shrubs or trees. The ink was then blended by adding the juice, dye or lampblack to the vehicle which were either boiled linseed oil, mineral oil, or a combination of both.

Glue, soap solution, and an iron salt made from oak galls completed the ink solution.

The next problem to be solved was the design to be used. Usually every camp had artists of some degree as a prisoner and they would ask for suggested designs. Usually the name of the designer is unknown to us today; but actually we do know that the designer of the notes at the prisoner-of-war camp at Kansk was a German prisoner named Conrad.

The image then had to be cut into a piece of wood or "plate." This was tedious work as proper tools were not available to the designer. So the notes reflect this inferior work by having indistinct and non-uniformity in design.

The actual printing was done by taking the block of wood with the desired image and text cut in relief and inking it. It was then held in one hand while the paper sheet was laid on it with the other and rubbing it with a brush. It was then removed and another sheet placed on the inked block. As some of the camps had presses such as hand or wine, the block of wood with the note relief was placed in the press. The paper was then inserted and pressure applied by the press. This method resulted in more distinct notes than by the hand method described above.

After the notes were printed, they were trimmed by hand cutting with scissors or a sharp knife. This hand trimming also resulted frequently in unevenly shaped notes. After trimming, the notes were hand-stacked, counted and given to the paymaster for distribution to the camp's prisoners.

Each camp's notes will be described in detail. When the war was over and the prisoners eligible to be released for return to their homes, they had to get their release from the camp commander; as for example at Kansk it was Colonel August V. Muller-Wandau (now living in Vienna, Austria-1973). It was the commander's duty to not only clear the prisoner for release, but to get from him any of the prisoner-of-war camp money that he may have and exchange it for the current Russian currency. The commander was then instructed to collect all of the prisoner-of-war money and destroy it by burning. However, the commanders either neglected to destroy all of it or perhaps the prisoners did not turn in all of the notes that they had and so a few have escaped destruction and have come to us as rare notes. The Russian central government frowned on the prisoner-of-war notes but could not object to their existence since they themselves were not in a position to fulfill the provisions of the Articles of War.

DESCRIPTION OF PRISONER-OF-WAR PAPER MONEY IN MY COLLECTION 1973

ATSCHINSK (ACHINSK)

Atschinsk was located about midway between Tomsk and Krasnovarsk on the Trans-Siberian Railway. This prison can best be described from this quote from the newspaper "Siberia" printed at Irkutsk: "The Atchinsk prison is a "cloaca," where human beings perish like flies. Typhus fever, diphtheria, and other epidemic diseases prevail there constantly, and infest all who have misfortune to get into that awful place . . ." Again, I. P. Bolokonski in his book "Prisons and Etapecs" says, "If you once glance into the Atchinsk prison you will never forget it. I have seen many prisons but not one worse than this. As you look at the prisoner you are simply astonished at the capacity of the human organism for endurance. When I said to the warden, "Why don't you try to clean your prison—at least a little?" He replied, "The only way to make this prison endurable is to burn it down and build another."

Authorities do not agree as to the denominations that were issued by this camp as shown by this listing:

Author	50 kopek	1 ruble	3 ruble	5 ruble
Chuchin	X			X
Denis		Unlisted		
Kardakoff	X	X	X	X



The 50 kopek note is the only one that is available in this collection. The note is 50 mm x 40 mm in size and .005 inches in thickness. The reverse is blank. The obverse has the image of a building which it is thought to have been a Russian mansion confiscated and used as the residence of the camp commander or warden. Mountains appear in the background. The word "Atchinsk" appears at the top. At the bottom in Russian are the words "Prison Money." To the right appear the same words in German and to the left it appears in Austrian. Across the face is the denomination and below it the serial number 2068 and the signature which is not legible. The note is listed at \$35.00 by Kardakoff in 1953 but in 1973 it was listed as rare. The notes were all issued in 1919.

KANSK

Kansk was located about 250 miles east of the Atchinsk prisoner-of-war camp. It was on the upper Yenisey River and on the Trans-Siberian Railroad. The prison itself dates back for many years as the czars had for years sent prisoners to this camp for any anti-government activity. As such it was built more substantially than most of the other prisons. Although the sanitary conditions were better here than in some prisons, it was a far cry from the prison camps of today. The authorities list the following denomination of paper money issued by the Kansk Prison Camp:

Author	10 kopek	15 kopek	50 kopek	1 ruble	2 ruble	3 ruble
Kardakoff	X	X	X	X	X	X
Chuchin	X	X	X	X		X
Denis	X	X	X	X		X

	4 ruble	5 ruble	10 ruble	25 ruble
Kardakoff	X	X	X	X
Chuchin	X	X	X	X
Denis	X	X	X	X

The notes were issued in 1918, 1919, and 1920. The only notes in this collection are the 10 and 15 kopek and 2 notes of 1 ruble denomination. The 10 kopek note is a good example of notes being printed on one-side-blank paper as it has irrelevant information printed on the reverse. The note is 28 mm x 26 mm in size and the



design is simple and legend consists only of 10 kopek. It was issued by the Self Administrative Officer of the Camp. The note thickness is .005 inches. The 15 kopek note is blank on the reverse side and is 28 mm x 26 mm in size and .005 inches thick. The design also is simple and the legend consists only of the denomination. It, too, was issued by the Self Administrative Officer of the Camp. The two 1 ruble notes are different in design. True at first glance they are alike but on closer examination it shows that the designer attempted duplication but there are variations. The first note bears series F serial 214, and the second series T serial 672. The signatures of the top signer are alike but the bottom signatures are different. The notes are 47 mm x 40 mm in size and .005 inches in thickness. The reverse of both notes is blank. There are no other legends besides the denominations. The second note has printed lines on the reverse showing that it too was printed on one-side-blank paper. The 10, 15, and 50 kopek notes are listed at \$30.00 each by Kardakoff in 1953 and the rating is now rare as is the 1 ruble note.

BATAREJNAJA (BATEREINAIA)

These notes were not issued by any prisoner-of-war camp but issued by the central government and issued to a regiment or battalion of the regular army. These notes were used by the soldiers to buy the necessities of life. They are included in this group of notes because they were accepted by the prisoner-of-war authorities if that regiment or battalion or soldier thereof fell into captivity. They were also accepted by stores, canteens, army posts and general countryside. The only note in this collection is the 50 kopek in three examples, the first and third note are similar except the serial numbers which are 1573 and 1125. The second note bears no serial number or signatures and appears to have been removed from the issuing office before it was fully processed. It is different from notes 1 and 3 in that the paper is heavy — .005 compared to thin paper .002 of notes 1 and 3. Also note two has the word "Batarejnaia" instead of "Batarenaia" as notes 1 and 3 have. All three notes are 57 mm x 37 mm in size. The legend is 50 kopek and the word in German "Wohlfahrts," which translates into "food welfare," and the word "Organistat" for "organization." The notes were listed in the following denominations by the different authorities:

Author	20 kopek	50 kopek	$\frac{1}{2}$ ruble	1 ruble	2 ruble	3 ruble	5 ruble	10 ruble
Kardakoff	X	X		X		X		
Chuchin		Unlisted						
Denis		X	X	X	X	X	X	X



The notes were issued in 1919 and 1920. The 20 kopek and 1 ruble notes were listed as uncommon 20 years ago but now all are listed as rare.

PESTECHANKA (PJESTSCHANKA)

The exact location of this prisoner-of-war camp is not known at the time of this article but it was in Siberia and we have proof that it contained both officer and non-commissioned barracks. The 10 kopek note was issued by Barracks 9 and it bears serial number 1009. However in hand writing and same color of ink as was used for the signature appears the number 903. The use made of the second number is not known. It is 42 mm x 30 mm in size and it is .015 inches in thickness which is unusually thick for paper money. It is blank on the reverse and bears two hand-signed signatures. The 1 ruble note was also issued by Barracks 9. It is 65 mm x 40 mm in size and .018 inches thick - unusually thick. It bears serial number 293. However in the same color ink as was used for the signature, appears the serial number 939. The reason for the second number is unknown. The $\frac{1}{2}$ ruble note is 75 mm x 40 mm in size and only .0045 inches thick which is usually thin. It bears two serial numbers "I" and "Y2". It was issued by barracks shown on the note. Apparently the note denomination was printed blank and then the denomination was entered in hand-writing as in this instance the " $\frac{1}{2}$ " was entered. It bears 3

signatures—Hudlin, D. Gragh and Jourjeis.



The notes were issued in 1916 in 8 denominations and in only 2 values in 1917. The following are the denominations listed by the different authorities:

Author	5 kopek	10 kopek	25 kopek	50 kopek	½ ruble	1 ruble	3 ruble	5 ruble
Kardakoff	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Chuchin			Unlisted					
Denis	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
			1 kopek 1917	3 kopek 1917				
Kardakoff			X	X				
Chuchin			Unlisted					
Kenis			Unlisted					

By 1953 all of these notes were listed as very rare for the 1916 notes and uncommon for the 1917 notes.

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C. C. SHROYER

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Death came to former ANA President C. C. Shroyer on November 23 following several years of poor health. Well known in the numismatic world and one who thoroughly enjoyed association with his fellow hobbyists, "Tim" was able to attend the ANA convention in Boston last August. He had passed his 79th birthday shortly before his death.

A native of Ohio, Tim became ANA member 4446 in 1934, noting his occupation as "salesman, General Electric Company." Fourteen years later, as G. E. "salesmanager," he applied for life membership. Following retirement after 28 years with G. E., he became an estimator and the office manager for Sabroske Electric Company, a contractor.

Tim was active in numerous numismatic organizations from local clubs, several of which he helped organize, to the worldwide ANA. He served 2 years, 1954-56, as president of the Central States Numismatic Society, 8 years, 1951-59, as a governor of ANA; 2 years, 1959-61 as its vice president and the next 2 years as its president. In the commercial field, he

was one of the founders of the Professional Numismatists Guild, Inc., served it as secretary, and was its life member no. 1.

When the current ANA Federal Charter was granted by the Congress in May, 1961, Tim signed it as one of the nine incorporators. During his term as president, the ANA and the Canadian Numismatic Association held their annual conventions jointly in Detroit and Tim always considered it to be significant as the first international numismatic convention to be held in North America.

One of his presidential actions was to appoint then Governor Charles M. Johnson as chairman of a committee to formulate plans for the building of a national home and headquarters. As the project developed there were other committees, appropriately designated, but always "Charlie" Johnson was the sparkplug. Tim made the wise choice of the only person whose name appears twice on the dedication plaque in the building's entrance.

A World War I veteran who served about a year overseas, Tim's only boast about it was that he "won the war with a typewriter." In addition to many friends, he is survived by his widow, Myrtle, and two brothers. — Glenn S.



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FEATURING FAKES



Since my May '72 installment of *Featuring Fakes*, in which I ventured into the topic of counterfeit silver bars, ingots of all kinds have become hot items.

In that installment I mentioned that I'd been unable to track down the origin of some of the ingots I pictured, and asked any reader to write to me about any additional information.

John Jay Ford, Jr., was one of the four readers who did take the time to "educate" me.

"THE IRRAWADDY COUNTING HOUSE"

About "The Irrawaddy Counting House at Rangoon" silver ingots, of which I'd said they probably had been no closer to Rangoon than our own Rocky Mountains (since many ingots then were being manufactured in that area), John wrote:

"Around 1956 those first appeared at a midwestern convention (most probably Central States). A dealer there had just returned from the Far East and had his table full of Orientalia, among which were a half-dozen of these peices, and I purchased them all.

"Subsequently I did not see any other authentic pieces, but a few years ago discovered two different dealers had their cases loaded with cast replicas, apparently fabricated from two or three different original pieces. I managed to examine every single ingot of those later offerings, but never was able to find another genuine, struck piece."

"THORNE MINING AND REFINING CO."

Then, about the "THORNE MINING AND REFINING CO., ARIZONA" silver bars, I'd had two men try tracking down that firm, but drew a blank.

John Ford, though, dug up some background which is worth telling. But let John tell it:

"The Thorne Mining and Refining Co., Arizona, started out as the Silver Bell



Mine. This mine, discovered about 1880, was located about 16 miles east of Prescott, Arizona Territory.

"It fell upon lean days and was sold to one Daniel Thorne, proprietor of a saloon and gambling house in Prescott. Thorne took out about \$300,000 from his re-named 'Thorne Mine.' But \$300,000 was not enough, for the mine was taken over by Thorne's creditors.

"Later the mine was owned by Charles M. Clark, president of the Arizona Pioneers' Association. Additional data can be found on page 26 of 'Workings of Prehistoric Mines' by Mr. Clark, in 'Arizona Mining Journal,' Vol. 9, No. 2, June 15, 1925.

"Thorne had his ore smelted by the Selby Smelting Works of San Francisco, which firm undoubtedly was responsible for the manufacture of the original genuine specimens under discussion.

"All the known authentic Thorne ingots were discovered in one hoard in 1953, and most of them sold to New Netherlands Coin Company.

"Each of the 87 discovered ingots bore a serial number, spread over a range up to and including three digits, and there exists an identifying record of those 87 numbers.

"Silver ingot No. 231 was sold, and then was re-sold to gentlemen who had great faith in the Biblical tale of the loaves and the fishes, for they took No. 231 to a refining and manufacturing firm, and soon thereafter, in late 1953, the market quietly was flooded with cast silver Thorne ingots, all marked 'SERIAL NO. 231.'

"Your pictured No. 196 (above, to your right) I'd say is genuine, but the No. 231 looks suspiciously like one of those New York-made fakes."

At the top of the page opposite, in addition to the IRRAWADDY ingot, you'll see two "MINT OF THE UNITED STATES AT SAN FRANCISCO" pieces.

Forgeries of both abound.

The San Francisco bar in the center is, I have reason to believe, genuine. The bar to your right, I feel certain, is a faked specimen.

How can we protect ourselves from faked ingots?

I just don't know! Possibly have the seller include the word "genuine" or "original" in writing your invoice, possibly on the invoice make a lead-pencil rubbing of the face of the bar at the time you accept the invoice so that, if later you find the ingot's a fake, the seller won't suspect you of switching bars.

DATING SYSTEMS ON COINS SINCE 1000 A.D.

by Thomas P. Rockwell

(Continued from last month)

FICTITIOUS DATES

This article is all about dates on coins and how to translate them into our A.D. system of dates . . . all well and good!

But supposing you find a date, translate it, and find that it is an impossible date? For instance, Ranjit Singh was the ruler of Jaisalmer, India from 1846 to 1864 A.D., a span of 18 years. However, his coins have a regnal date of 22 years. 1846 plus 22 equals 1868 — impossible! In actuality, these coins were copies of Muhammad Shah rupees of Delhi and were minted in 1860 A.D.

Many of the coins from India were minted with fictitious dates and the best explanation the author has found are the following quotations from *Coins of The World 1750 - 1850*, by William Craig, first edition, 1966:

"The Indians had an unfortunate habit of striking many of their silver and gold coins from dies meant for a larger denomination with a result that often much of the legend is off the coin." (page 621)

"In the reign of Shah Alam II (emperor 1173 - 1221 A.H., 1759 -1806 A.D.) many of the latter-day native states became independent and acquired the coinage right. The process was gradual and many states commenced by striking Shah Alam coins with a special mint mark. The British and French companies did the same thing." (page 623)

"As John Company (British East India Company) acquired new territories in the 18th century, various mints in these territories continued to strike coins of the Mughal type but with mint marks consisting of fictitious A.H. or regnal years. In part this commemorated the year of annexation, but the chief reason is said to have been the desire to stop speculation among native money changers (who customarily paid premiums for older coins on the theory these contained more silver)." (page 625)

"A high proportion of states which struck coins in the 18th to 20th centuries came into existence in the 18th century as the Mughal Empire weakened. The first coins of such states were generally copies of Mughal types, mostly those of Shah Alam II who was on the throne when many began coining, with only a symbol or Persian mint name to distinguish them. During Shah Alam's reign, 80 mints were striking money in his name, mostly operated or farmed by semi-independent or independent rulers. In many states Shah Alam type coinage continued for 50 years after his death, and in many places was only halted after the Indian Mutiny when the last Mughal emperor at Delhi was deposed." (page 647)

The author has in his collection a coin from Nawanagar, India, minted by the ruler Vibhaji (1852 - 1894 A.D.). The coin was meant to be dated 978 A.H., but the debased lettering makes it appear as 1178 which is a fictitious date. Actually the 978 was also a fictitious date. It was the result of the Nawanagar practice of copying the early Gujarati coins and has no other meaning.

Following are the fictitious dates on the coins of India that the author knows about. Undoubtedly there are many more. Perhaps there are fictitious dates from other countries also but, if so, the author is unaware of them.

FICTITIOUS DATES ON THE COINS OF INDIA

TYPE OR STATE	FICTITIOUS YEAR OR DATE	REMARKS
Arcot type coinage, east coast of India	All dated 1172 A.H.	Some of the dates can be recognized by the following:
	plain edge	until about 1800 A.D.
	oblique milled edge	1800 - 1818
	indented cord milling	1818 - 1835
Banaras	Some of the coins had year 17 and an actual regnal year of 21 - 49	
Farrukhabad	Had a mint mark of "45"	
	oblique milled edge	1803 - 1819
	straight milling	1819 - 1832
	plain edge	1832 - 1835
Murshidabad	In the name of Shah Alam II with year 19	
	oblique milled edge	1792 - 1818
	indented cord milling	1818 - 1832
	plain edge	1832 - 1835
Danish India (Tranquebar)		May have first or second numeral of date missing.
Ajmir	year 31, 1203 A.H.	
Awadh	year 1226, 1229 A.H.	
Bikanir	Samvat date 1916	
Chhatarpur	1192 & 1212 A.H.	
Datia	19th century dates	
Gwalior	year 23	
Jaisalmir	year 22	Actually struck 1860 A.D.
Kuchawan	year 31, 1203 A.H.	
Orissa	years 8 - 88	
Partabgarh	1199 & 1236 A.H., year 45	Struck 1870 A.D.

BHUTAN, INDIA

This is a semi-independent kingdom in the Eastern Himalayas with its external relations controlled by India.

Some of the modern Bhutanese coins use cyclical dates (C.D.), which appear at the top line in the reverse square. Although dated 1928 & 1950 A.D., these coins were struck until 1955. This system of dates might be related to the Tibet system of cycles or the Chinese system of cycles.

འཇམ་ལ་རྒྱ་གར་

1928, year of the Earth Dragon

འཇམ་ལ་རྒྱ་གར་

1950, year of the Iron-Tiger

MALABAR ERA

The Malabar Era was used in Travancore, India, but to date the author has seen only one coin using this system and English numerals were used on it.

To convert to the Gregorian calendar, add 824 or 825 to the date shown on the coin.

MAULUDI ERA (A.M.)

This era was used by Tipu (Tipoo), Sultan of Mysore, India (1782 - 1799 A.D.) W. D. Craig in *Coins Of The World, 1750-1850*, states that the dates are solar reckoned from Mohammed's birth in 571 A.D.

Parmeshwari Lal Gupta in *Coins, India - The Land and The People*, states that Tipu introduced his new Mauludi calendar in the fifth year of his reign and that it took its origin from the date of the birth of Mohammed and is based on luni-solar years of twelve months plus an added month at certain intervals. Tipu adopted the Hindu calendar and replaced the names of the months with Arabic names.

However, the author has checked several sources as to the date of Mohammed's birth and has found that the exact date is uncertain. (*The Encyclopedia Americana*, vol. 19, 1960 edition, says it must have been between 570 and 580 A.D. According to the *Everyman Encyclopedia*, vol. 9, 1913 edition, it was about 571 A.D.)

Tipu "assumed" that Mohammed was born in 572 A.D. Use Kutch #1 numerals and convert to A.D. by adding 572.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
•	/	۲	۳	۴	۵	۶	۷	۸	۹	۱۰	۱۱

NEWAR ERA OF NEPAL

This era is also called Nepali or Newar Samvat Era. It was introduced on October 20, 879 A.D., and was used in Nepal until the end of the Malla period in 1768 A.D. Convert to A.D. by adding 879.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
०	१	२	३	४	५	६	७	८	९	१०	११

SAKA ERA

The Saka era originated in the southwest corner of northern India & Nepal in 78 A.D., and was used also in southern India. It was used in Nepal from 1768-1911 A.D. Use Kutch, India (2) numerals and convert to A.D. by adding 78.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	𑀓	𑀔	𑀕	𑀖	𑀗	𑀘	𑀙	𑀚	𑀛		
12	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	200
300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000				

SAMVAT OR VIKRAMA ERA

This era, also called the Vikramaditya era, started in 57 B.C. and is used in the current system in northern India and Nepal. Using Hindustani in Nagari numerals, convert to A.D. by subtracting 57.

This era is also used in Kutch, India, using Kutch No. 2 numerals. (Gujerati using Devanagari characters)

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
𑀓	𑀔	𑀕	𑀖	𑀗	𑀘	𑀙	𑀚	𑀛	𑀜	𑀝	
12	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	200
300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000				

TIPU (TIPOO) SYSTEM

Under the Sultan of Mysore, India, from 1782 A.D. to 1799 A.D., Tipu used the Mauludi era dating system. Please refer to the discussion under the "Mauludi Era."

Dates start with the birth of Mohammed in 572 A.D. Tipu used the regular Mauludi system of dates, but he did one special thing: he made his dates read from right to left instead of from left to right because this was the way the script was written and he wanted to be consistent. His Mauludi dates started in the fifth year of his reign and ran from 1215 A.M. to 1227 A.M. Thus if you find a date between 5121 and 7221, you will know that you must be reading the date backwards and that you have a Tipu coin.

The author spent a long time trying to find a coin of Tipu's which would have the date reading from right to left. Finally he found two listed in an auction and put in a successful bid. Imagine his chagrin when he received the coins and found that each of them was dated 1221 which could be read from either direction! Perhaps this is why the previous owner sold them!

Numerous errors occur on these coins as evidently it was difficult for the die makers to write dates backwards: some have dates reading from left to right, some have the numerals reversed, and some have the numerals in the wrong sequence. Use Kutch #1 numerals and convert to A.D. by adding 572.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

TRIPURA or BENGAL ERA

Used in Tripura, India, and established by Akbar the Great on April 11, 1556, with solar years beginning at the vernal equinox. To convert to A.D.:

1. The first 9 months of the year, add 593.
2. The last 3 months of the year, add 594.

Use the Bengali numerals.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	১	২	৩	৪	৫	৬	৭	৮	৯		
12	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	200
300	400	500	600	700	80০	900	1000				

ARABIC AND TURKISH SYSTEM

In 622 (July 16) A.D., Mohammed fled from Mecca to Medina, the beginning of what is known as the era of the Hegira (Flight). Dates in this era are listed as A.H. (Anno Hegirae).

The calendar is based on a lunar year of 345 days, and is generally used by countries using Arabic or Persian numerals. Convert to A.D.

A.H. date less 3%, plus 621

Example:

$$1330 \text{ A.H.} \times .97 = 1290.10 \text{ (use nearest whole number)}$$

$$1290 + 621 = 1911 \text{ A.D.}$$

See listing under Mohammedan system.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
.	,	٢	٣	٤	٥	٦	٧	٨	٩	١٠	١١
12	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	200
١٢	٢٠	٢٥	٣٠	٤٠	٥٠	٦٠	٧٠	٨٠	٩٠	١٠٠	٢٠٠
300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000				
							١٠٠٠				

ETHIOPIAN ERA

Amharic numerals are used in this system. In converting to A.D.: The first 2 numerals are the century. The next numeral is 100, "᠙ ." The last 2 numerals are the date in the century shown previously. To this must be added 7 years and 8 months.

Example:

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
 1 & = & 10 \\
 ᠑ & = & 9 \\
 ᠙ & = & 100 \text{ (19 x 100 = 1900)} \\
 ᠑ & = & 30 \\
 ᠖ & = & 6
 \end{array}
 \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \\ \end{array} \right\}
 \begin{array}{l} 19 \\ \\ 1900 + 36 = 1936 \end{array}$$

$$1936 \text{ plus 7 years \& 8 months} = 1944 \text{ A.D.}$$

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	᠔	᠖	᠈	᠊	᠌	᠎	᠏	᠐	᠑	᠒	
12	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	1000
	᠓		᠔	᠕	᠖	᠏	᠐	᠑	᠒	᠓	᠑᠐᠐᠐

GEORGIAN ERA

Georgia was a Christian state in Caucasia and had its own coinage for about two thousand years. During the 12th and 13th centuries it minted coins which are clearly recognized by the type of characters used, especially in its dates.

The calendar started with the computed date of Creation in 5604 B.C. The Georgian era used cycles of 532 years each. The two cycles involved in coinage began as follows: The first year of the 13th cycle began in 781 A.D., the first year of the 14th cycle began in 1313 A.D. These cycles were used for coins minted from 1125-1289 A.D. Assomthrauli characters were used as listed below. Convert to A.D. by adding 781.

Example:

$\begin{matrix} \text{+} & \text{R} & \text{7} & \text{8} \\ \text{"year"} & 300 & 90 & 4 \end{matrix}$
 equals year 394, plus 781 = 1175 A.D.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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12	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	200
	Ⴟ		Ⴜ	Ⴝ	Ⴞ	Ⴟ	Ⴚ	Ⴛ	Ⴜ	Ⴝ	Ⴞ
300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000				
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Georgia was subject to Persia and Turkey from 1289 to 1712 A.D. During the period of Persian rule, Arabic numerals and the Mohammedan calendar (A.H.) were used.

In 1783 A.D. Georgia became a vassal of Russia and was then annexed to Russia slowly from 1799 to 1838 A.D. During the period 1801 - 1833 A.D., the coins were dated by Georgian numerals in Mkhedruli characters as shown in the chart following.

Read dates as in the following examples:

$$\begin{matrix} 5 & 8 & 0 \\ 1000 & + & 800 & + & 5 & = & 1805 \text{ A.D.} \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} 6 & 8 & 10 \\ 1000 & + & 800 & + & 10 & = & 1810 \text{ A.D.} \end{matrix}$$

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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12	20	25	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	200
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300	400	500	600	700	800	900	1000				
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RUSSIAN SYSTEM UP TO 1699 A.D.

The ecclesiastic calendar was used in the Russian system, based on the Biblical Creation of the world on March 21, 5509 B.C. This calendar used the letters of the Cyrillic alphabet as numerals. (It was introduced by two Greek monks, Saints Cyril and Methodius.)

Since the ecclesiastic calendar begins 6800 years before any appreciable amount of Russian coins were struck (1300's A.D.), any date greater than 6800 is an ecclesiastic date, Slavonic dates having been used between 1700-1725. The ecclesiastic calendar was used principally in the late 16th and early 17th centuries. Convert to A.D. by subtracting 5509.

0	1 А а	2 В	3 Г	4 Д	5 Е	6 С	7 З з	8 И	9 Ѳ	10 І	11
12	20 К	25	30 Ѳ	40 М	50 Н	60 Ѳ	70 О	80 П	90 Ѳ 4	100 Р	200 С
300 Т	400 Ѳ	500 Ѳ	600 Ѳ	700 Ѳ	800 Ѳ	900 Ѳ	1000 ѲА	2000 ѲВ	3000 ѲГ	4000 ѲД	5000 ѲЕ
6000 ѲС	7000 ѲЗ Ѳа Ѳ3										

RUSSIAN SYSTEM, 1700-1725 A.D.

On January 1, 7209 (ecclesiastic calendar), the Julian calendar was adopted as January 1, 1700, and Slavic dates were used. After 1725 A.D. English numerals were used with A.D. dates.

On February 1, 1918 (Julian calendar), the Gregorian calendar was adopted. To then bring the Gregorian calendar up to date with the rest of the world, 13 days were omitted, bringing the new calendar date up to February 14, 1918.

The table below shows each date as it appears on the coins of Russia between 1700 and 1725 A.D. In each case in this table, these two or three symbols have been omitted, but assume that they are there: АѲ or ѲАѲ

1700 .	1701 А	1702 В	1703 Г	1704 Д	1705 Е	
1705 Ѳ	1706 С	1707 Ѳ	1708 Ѳ	1709 Ѳ	1710 І	
1711 ѲІ	1712 ѲІ	1712 ѲІ	1713 ѲІ	1714 ѲІ	1715 ѲІ	
1716 ѲІ	1717 ѲІ	1718 ѲІ	1719 ѲІ	1720 К	1721 КД	1722 КВ

HAITIAN

Full independence was attained in 1804 A.D. Thus, the first year of independence was reckoned as 1803.

Coins dated between 1803 and 1850 A.D. were mostly dated by regnal years designated as AN. Some of the coins of this period were dated by A.D. dates, and some had both A.D. and AN dates, AN being the French word for year. Convert to A.D. by adding 1803 to the AN number.

MAYAN CHRONOLOGY

The ancient Mayas of the Yucatan Peninsula in Central America seem to have been the first people in the world to realize the importance of setting a fixed starting point from which to reckon their chronological era. By making careful observations from their high pyramids and temples, and by carefully marking the risings and settings of the celestial bodies along the horizon, the Mayas were able to arrive at a figure for the duration of an astronomical year that is actually more accurate than the figure of our Gregorian calendar:

astronomical year, 365.2422 days; Julian calendar year, 365.2500 days; Gregorian calendar year, 365.2425 days; Mayan calendar year, 365.2420 days.

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NEW & RECENT ISSUES

By Ernst Kraus, LM 129

It is the important duty of *The Numismatist* to record and illustrate new coins. To accomplish this, ANA members in the United States and abroad are invited to submit new issues to Ernst Kraus, Room 939 (include room number in address), 393 Seventh Ave., New York, N.Y. 10001. Coins will be photographed and returned as soon as possible, and a credit line will be given to anyone assisting.

Austria

Theodor Körner was born on April 24, 1873. A graduate of the country's military schools, he served with distinction during World War I, but took leave from the army in 1924 because of political reasons. He was imprisoned several times, including a time during the Nazi occupation of Austria. Following the end of World War II, he became the mayor of Vienna and was elected to the office of head of state with the second ballot of the Presidential election of 1951. President Körner died on January 4, 1957. To mark the centennial of the birth of this army officer and president who lived through all the heights and depths of the Austrian history between the old Monarchy and the second Republic, a commemorative coin has been issued.

Y- .50 schilling, 1973. Silver (.900). Obverse: Portrait to right; designer's name at base of neck, R. SCHMIDT; dates below, 1873 - 1957 - 1973; legend around upper portion, DR. H. C. THEODOR KÖRNER. Reverse: Value in center, 50 SCHILLING, within a circle of 10 shields of the provinces; legend around, REPUBLIK ÖSTERREICH. Edge: Lettered with value spelled out, FUENZIG SCHILLING. Diameter: 34mm. Weight: 20 grams.

Germany (West)

The Frankfurt National Assembly (Nationalversammlung) or parliament met for the first time in the Church of St. Paul at Frankfurt-on-the-Main in

1848. It was the first all German parliamentary gathering. Its membership was about 830, but many of the conservatives who had been elected refused to take their seats in such a revolutionary assembly. Its debates were often exasperatingly lengthy and technical, but surprisingly a great deal was accomplished. The conservatives and the radicals became seriously divided on the question of what territory should be included in the projected German national state. The issue was finally compromised by a decision to include all Germanic territories, but that no part of a new state should be connected with non-German territory. It led to the creation of a federal state under a hereditary "Emperor of the Germans" the following year with Frederick William of Prussia being elected as emperor.

Y-135. 5 mark, 1973. Silver. Obverse: Bird's eye view of the inside room with columns around of St. Paul's Church in Frankfurt; in the center is the date, 1948; legend around, FRANKFURTER NATIONAL VERSAMMLUNG. Reverse: The state emblem, outstretched eagle in center, date, value and mintmark, G, (Karlsruhe) below; legend around, BUNDESREPUBLIK DEUTSCHLAND. Edge lettered: EINIGKEIT RECHT FREIHEIT (Unity Justice Liberty). Diameter: 29mm. Weight: 11.5 grams.

The preceding was issued December 11, 1973. Proofs are scheduled to be issued by mid-1974.

Greece (Kingdom)

The year 1973 saw the inevitable abolition of the monarchy in Greece. King Constantine, in exile since 1967, was a figurative king in name only. A presidential republic was proclaimed this past year with Prime Minister Georgios Papadopoulos naming himself chief executive. Before the year was out, he himself was overthrown by a military coup. The following issue represents the technical state of the government at the beginning of 1973. The issue is identical to that of 1971, with the exception of the date.



Y- .2 drachmai, 1973. Cupro-nickel. Obverse: Portrait of the King to left; designer's name and date, 1973, below; legend around, KONSTANTINE KING OF THE HELLENES. Reverse: The legendary Phoenix bird with soldier in front; below is the date of the revolution, 21ST OF APRIL 1967; value 2 DRACHMAI between ornaments; legend around, KINGDOM OF GREECE. Edge: Milled. Diameter: 24mm. Weight: 6 grams.

Greece (Republic)

This is the first issue of the newly proclaimed republic. It has the same date as the preceding issue but represents the technical status of the government at the close of 1973.



Y-68. 2 drachmai, 1973. Nickel-brass. Obverse: At center left, a large owl, designer's name below;

value at lower right. Reverse: In the center is the legendary Phoenix bird, but without the soldier in front; designer's name and date below; legend around, ELLENIKE DEMOKRATIA (Greek Republic); a small ornament at top. Edge: Milled. Weight: 24mm. Weight: 6 grams.

Israel

The 1973 Hanukka silver coin, commemorating the Festival of Lights, is the second in the series bearing the nominal value of IL 5. Issued in both proof and uncirculated conditions, the coins were struck at the government mint in Jerusalem. The uncirculated is mintmarked with the Star of David while the proof bears the Hebrew letter "mem."

The new Pidyon Haben (Redemption of the First-Born) silver coin is the fifth in the annual series bearing the face value of IL 10. Only the obverse has been redesigned. It, too, is available in both proof and uncirculated condition. This coin is both a collectors' item and used for Jewish ceremonial purposes. A set of five coins, for use in the redemption of the first-born son ceremony, is available in an attractive case. A certificate attesting officially to their fitness for ritual use is attached to each box, with an English translation.



Y-69. 5 lirot, 1973. Silver (.750). Obverse: An 18th century Hanukka

menorah originating from Babylonia (Iraq-Syria) and presently on exhibit at the Israel Museum in Jerusalem; Hebrew legend below, HANUKKA LAMP FROM BABYLONIA 18TH CENTURY. Reverse: Large numeral 5 for value in center; at lower left, LIROT; around the rim the word, ISRAEL, is repeated in English, Hebrew and Arabic; Christian and Hebrew date respectively, 1973 - 5734. Edge: Plain. Diameter: 34mm. Weight: 25 grams.



Y-58a. 10 lirot, 1974. Silver (.900). Obverse: Value in upper half of the field, 10 LIROT; state emblem in shield form below, in right center and lower right, the word ISRAEL, repeated in Hebrew, English and Arabic. Gregorian date, 1974, and Hebrew date, 5734, around the left. Reverse: Same as prior year, an elliptical offering tray at left with five shekels and the Hebrew legend, ALL THE FIRST BORN OF THY SONS THOU SHALT REDEEM; Hebrew legend around the right rim, COIN OF REDEMPTION. Edge: Uncirculated, plain; proof, milled, Diameter: 37mm. Weight 26 grams.

Sri Lanka

The main event of 1972 in this island republic off the southeast coast of the Indian peninsula was the completion by the Constituent Assembly of the new constitution and its proclamation on May 22, on which day the Republic of Sri Lanka came into being. *Sri Lanka* is the Sinhalese name for Ceylon. This is also the reason for the new issue of coins being dated 1972.



Y-6, 50 cents, 1972. Cupro-nickel. Obverse: The new emblem of the republic. Reverse: At top in Sinhala, SRI LANKA; numerals 50 below; 50 CENTS in three lines — Sinhala, Tamil and English; date 1972 at bottom; ornamental border around. Edge: Security. Diameter: 21.3mm. Weight: 5.5 grams.



Y-7, 1 rupee, 1972. Cupro-nickel. Obverse: Similar to preceding. Reverse: At top, SRI LANKA; floral design below; again the value ONE RUPEE, in three lines — Sinhala, Tamil and English; date 1972 at bottom; ornamental border around. Edge: Security type. Diameter: 25.3mm. Weight: 7 grams.

Zaire

As part of a continuing program to promote a spirit of nationalism through what has been described as a return to African authenticity, the Democratic Republic of the Congo has been renamed Zaire, Katanga has become Shaba and even President

Mobutu has shed his Christian name and became Mobutu Sese Seko. A nationality bill was passed by the National Assembly requiring all Zairean nationals having a Zairean mother and a foreign father to adopt their mother's name instead of their father's. Other Zaireans have been required to take local names instead of Christian names and there has been a campaign to expel even non-Zairean Africans from the country. Below is the first coin to be released after the country changed its name.



Y- 20 makuta, 1973. Cupro-nickel. Obverse: Portrait of President Mobutu to right; legend around, BANQUE DU ZAIRE. Reverse: A hand holding a torch; date

1973 at upper right; numerals 20 below; legend at left; value spelled out, VINGT MAKUTA. Edge: Milled. Diameter: 31mm. Weight: 13 grams.

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Checks Can Tell A Story!

By William C. Henderson, LM 730

Sam Strong

"The District's Roustabout"



On July 4, 1891, Winfield Scott Stratton staked his claim on Battle Mountain, located within the Cripple Creek District, and named it the Independence in observance of the National Holiday. There were many prospectors around Battle Mountain, among which was one Sam Strong. Sam was regarded as a tough roustabout, but while prospecting on Battle Mountain he developed a friendship with Stratton. Although Sam was blunt, crude, and boisterous, Stratton regarded him as a good man who, under normal conditions, would probably have lived a decent life.

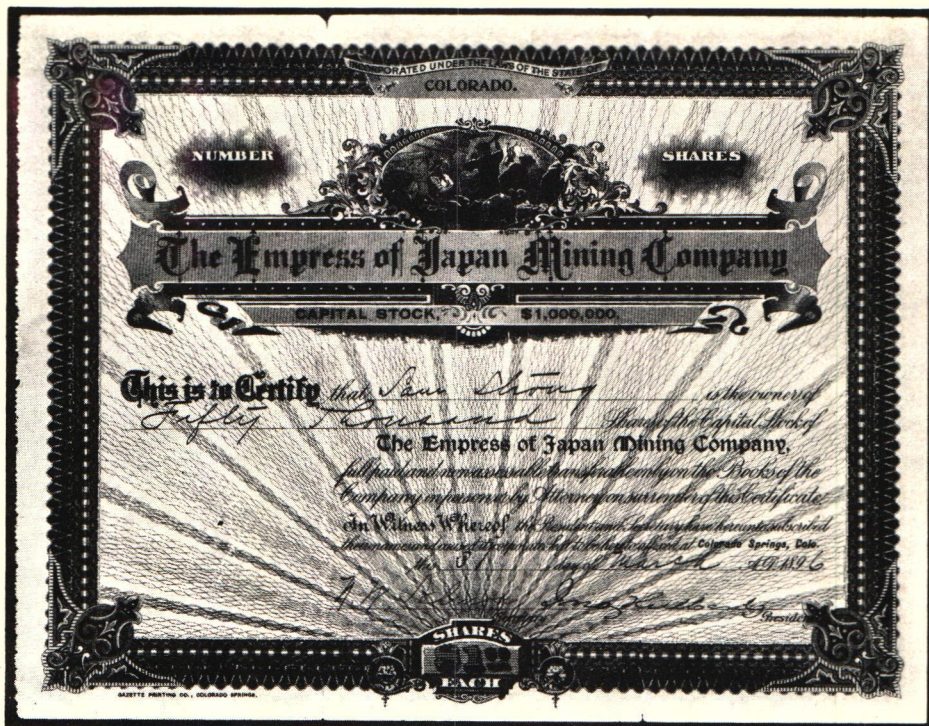
A few months after Stratton's world-renown discovery of the Independence, Sam Strong staked a 7½ acre claim on Battle Mountain, which later became known as the Strong Mine. Shortly after starting development work, he encountered a very rich vein of ore. Within a few weeks it became common knowledge that Strong had made a rich strike, and he had many good offers for his claim. He finally sought his friend Stratton's advice as to whether he should sell or keep his claim. At this time Stratton had become a very wealthy man, and had some very definite ideas regarding money, and replied to Strong in the following manner:

"If you get a chance to sell your property for \$100,000, do it. I once gave an option on the Independence and Washington mines for \$125,000, and a thousand times I have wished that the holders had taken it up. Too much money is not good for any man. I have too much and it is not good for me. A hundred thousand dollars is as much as any man should have if he wants to be happy and free from the bitterness and heartaches that come with great wealth. And I believe that a

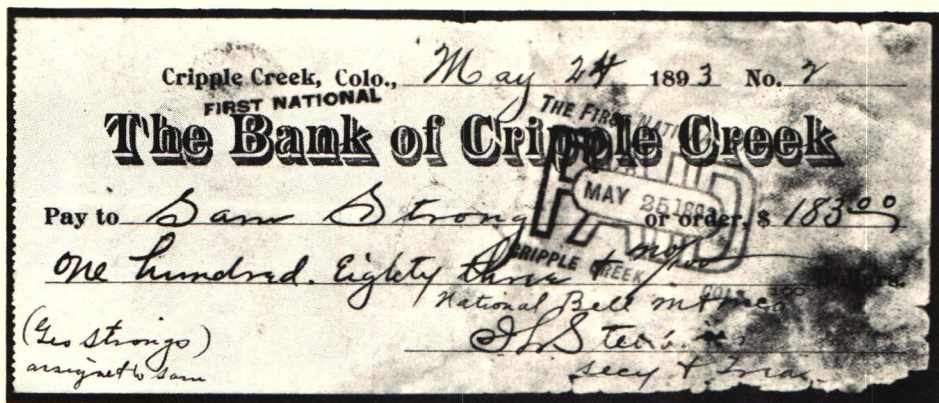
hundred thousand dollars is as much money as the man of ordinary intelligence can take care of. Large wealth has been the ruin of many a young man."

The advice given by Stratton made quite an impression on Sam Strong, and a short time later he sold his mine to William Lennox, E. W. Giddings and E. A. Colburn for \$60,000. Shortly after concluding his sale, he realized he had a desire to make even more money and purchased Sam Altman's Free Coinage Mine on Bull Hill, which also proved to be a bonanza. He later purchased other Bull Hill mines and claims, and within a short time "was rolling in wealth." He became a millionaire at 37 years of age.

Strong had three weaknesses: whiskey, women and gambling. As a poor man he could not overindulge, but with his quick-gained wealth he was overactive with all three. The more money he received from his gold, the more he drank and gambled, and the more convinced he became of his prowess with women. By early 1900 Sam was so involved, and with so many different women, that as a procedure of self-defense, he decided to marry. The one he chose to marry was a gentle, attractive, nineteen year-old girl from nearby Altman. At the time of their marriage, Strong was a burly thirty-eight.



Certificate for 50,000 shares of mining stock issued to Sam Strong and dated March 31, 1896. Imprint Gazette Printing Co., Colorado Springs. The reverse bears the signature of Strong's young widow, Regina N. Strong, as administratrix.



Check issued to Sam Strong by the National Bell Mining & Milling Co., dated May 24, 1893, and drawn on The Bank of Cripple Creek. This was the first of twelve banks to be organized and operated in the Cripple Creek District. Sam Strong's personal endorsement is on the back.

Marriage did not solve Sam Strong's problems. At the conclusion of his wedding ceremony where Regina J. Neville became his wife, a process server walked up to Sam and served the necessary papers ordering him to appear as defendant in a \$250,000 breach-of-promise suit brought by Miss Luella Vance of Goldfield. In her complaint, Luella said that \$250,000 was the "sum necessary to alleviate her lacerated feelings and suffering," which she incurred by the loss of Mr. Strong's companionship. Prior to departing on their honeymoon, Strong got another summons, this one in behalf of Miss Nellis Lewis of Cripple Creek. This action was a breach of promise suit based upon the fact that she alleged he had continuously promised her since early in 1893 that he would marry her. She sought \$200,000 for damages she had incurred. She also stated in her charges that they had frequently made trips together to New York. Her next charge DID create a sensation — she alleged that it was Sam who had blown up the Strong Mine during the Labor War of 1894.

During the Labor War conditions had become quite tense. At 9:00 A.M. on May 25th, a train with two flat-cars loaded with armed men was proceeding around Battle Mountain enroute to Victor. As they neared the Strong Mine there were two terrific explosions, the first blowing the shafthouse high into the air, the second completely demolished the boiler house and its facilities. This action further increased the tension prevailing at that time. She further alleged in her complaint that Strong had committed this act as a means of discouraging Lennox, Giddings and Colburn from exercising their option to purchase the Strong Mine.

Before formal hearings could be held in court, Sam and his wife slipped away on a honeymoon trip to Paris. Upon their return it required a year or more to settle the suits filed against him. Nellie Lewis was awarded \$50,000 as final settlement of her claim; Luella Vance settled her suit out of



The Gold Mining Stock Exchange, in which the Newport Saloon was located, as it looks today.

court for \$50,000. As a result of her charges, Sam was tried in Court for dynamiting the Strong Mine and won an acquittal. During all the various court battles his wife steadfastly supported him, and even succeeded in keeping him sober. Following his various suits, which had cost him an estimated half million dollars, he "hit the bottle" harder than ever.

One evening while "under the influence," Strong was touring the saloons and gambling houses. Shortly after midnight he left Johnnie Nolon's Saloon at Third and Bennett, proceeded on up Bennett Avenue to Grant Crumley's Newport Saloon. A strained relationship existed between Strong and Crumley. During an earlier visit to the Newport, Strong lost \$2,500 one night while gambling, paid Crumley with a check which he put a stop-payment on the following day, claiming Crumley operated a rigged wheel. The gambling debt was settled a week later for \$200.

This particular evening, Sam was accompanied by his father-in-law, John Neville. Shortly after arriving at Crumley's Newport Saloon, Neville was talking with Crumley, who made

reference to the \$2,500 check upon which Sam had placed the stop-payment. Sam overheard the remarks, and taking issue over what he had heard, and also observing Crumley had both hands in his pockets, drew a revolver and threatened to kill him unless he withdrew both hands. Crumley did as ordered, dropping suddenly behind a cigar counter, and emerged with a sawed-off shotgun which he discharged a short distance from Sam Strong's head. Sam dropped to the floor; Grant Crumley placed the gun upon the bar; the sheriff arrived a short time later

and placed Crumley under arrest and a doctor was summoned. Strong was transported by a horse-drawn ambulance to his mother-in-law's home where he passed away early that morning.

At the time of his arrest, Crumley asserted, "I shot Strong because if I hadn't he would have shot me." Several months later, Crumley was acquitted of the charge of murdering Sam Strong.

Yes, checks CAN tell an interesting story.

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Big Book From Little Iola

STANDARD CATALOG OF WORLD COINS by Chester L. Krause and Clifford Mishler. 1974 (2nd) edition. 864 pp. Illus. Soft cover. Krause Publications, Iola, WI 54945. \$12.50.

Subtitled "The Complete One Volume Coin Library," this telephone directory size book has a bright red cover to distinguish it from the pale green covered 1st edition. The publisher isn't guilty of idle boasting in calling it "unequaled in scope, size and detail by any other reference on the market today ..." Its coverage includes the coinages of 273 countries from the mid-1800s to the present, with valuations in from 1 to 6 (generally 3) conditions.

An outstanding feature is the large number of illustrations, "over 17,000 original photographs" being claimed, which makes for easy identification of most coins. Mintage figures, usually

rounded off to the nearest 10,000, and values are shown for each date of issue. In most cases coins are identified by the "Y" numbers used in Yeoman's *Modern World Coins* or *Current Coins of the World*, with earlier dates bearing the numbers used in Craig's *Coins of the World, 1750-1850*.

Brief historical sketches, enlarged from the 1st edition, are given of the issuing countries and explanations of dating systems are given for countries using other than the Gregorian or Christian Era calendar. A tabulation of coin denomination names (abbasi to zlotych) and a page index are useful parts of the book.

This 2nd edition has 72 more pages (42 in a section titled "Noncirculating Legal Tender Coins") than the 1972 edition; and lists some 5000 more coins with some 2000 additional photographs. Price changes are numerous — some of considerable

magnitude, such as in the Japanese series.

From the use and convenience standpoint, a small but significant improvement is the inclusion of the country name at the top of every page, to which the page number has been moved (from the bottom of the page). The weight and whiteness of the paper stock has been increased for greater clarity of the type and illustrations. All things considered (including the lesser value of today's dollar than two year ago), this reviewer considers the new edition to be an even better value than the first. — Glenn S.

Old Reliable

HANDBOOK OF UNITED STATES COINS WITH PREMIUM LIST by R. S. Yeoman. 1974 (31st) edition. 128 pp. Illus. Hard cover. Western Publishing Co., Inc., Racine, WI 53404. \$1.50.

Probably very few readers of *The Numismatist* need an introduction to this 31-year old "Blue Book" which, especially at its low price, is still the best source of information on U. S. coins and their relative collector value. Time was, perhaps, when it could be called a "buyer's" book but its prices have been revised in recent years to be realistic premium values.

Coin values, compared to those of a year ago, show the upward trend of the market. Nor have they been increased uniformly across-the-board. While changes of 10% are found frequently, one outstanding exception noted is the 1866 quarter that is up about 325%, in all conditions, from the 30th edition.

Pre-1965 silver coins of the 20th century are up due to the higher price of silver, and silver dollars have advanced even more noticeably — some spectacularly. In unc. condition, the 1883S is \$150 from \$22.50; the 1884S, \$225 from \$47.50; 1892S, \$4000 from \$950; and 1899S, \$120 from \$22.50. The only lowered price I noticed was the 1903O down to \$22.50 from \$24.00. The minimum value of unc. trade

dollars is up to \$115 from last year's \$75.

No one will be surprised to find prices of gold coins up appreciably, such as the minimum for eagles and double eagles more than doubled to \$70 and \$150, respectively. I do not know why the quarter eagles of 1840-1907 remain unchanged. Most commemoratives, including gold, increased notably — some doubled and a few tripled from a year ago.

It's very good advice to look before you leap to sell your U. S. coins. And a good look will cost you only \$1.50 for a 31st edition "Blue Book" by R. S. Yeoman. Like apple pie and Mickey Mouse, it's here to stay! — Glenn S.

Pictures and Prices of Errors

PRICE GUIDE FOR THE COLLECTOR OF U. S. PAPER MONEY ERRORS by Ed Neuce, Ed Fleishmann, Ron Keysor and Gayle McDaniel. 1973 (2nd) edition. 58 pp. Illus. Soft Cover. Amos Press, Inc., Box 150, Sidney, Ohio 45365. \$1.00.

This booklet offers much to collectors of small size error notes and, in addition, will be helpful to anyone interested in the process of printing our paper money.

Fine quality photographs — over 100 of them — replace the newspaper cuts used in the first edition to illustrate generously the various types of errors found by sharp-eyed (and lucky) collectors. Guideline prices are based on averages of estimates supplied by 4 knowledgeable men in the field of error collecting.

Two other publications that price error notes, although neither covers the field as extensively as this one, state premium prices for the error regardless of the note's denomination. This booklet includes the face value of the note in the valuation. Probably each system has its merits, and neither is perfect, but it is important to keep the difference in mind. In any case, collectors prefer their errors on small denomination notes to hold down the face value investment. — Glenn S.

NUMISMATIC VIGNETTES



● Much attention has been given in recent years to the recovery of treasure, especially coins, from sunken ships in waters off the southeast coast of North America. We know of course, that the existence of such treasure has been known for a long time, and that relatively small amounts have been recovered in the past. The following quotation is from the *Daily Mirror*, Elizabeth, N. J., of May 22, 1872, as recorded in the *American Journal of Numismatics*, October, 1872:

CAPTAIN KIDD'S TREASURE FOUND

Eighty dollars in Spanish coin were yesterday found, off the mouth of Morris creek, by the Dixon brothers — well-known oystermen. Alexander Dixon, while raking for oysters, found something more valuable — his labors being rewarded with no less than sixty-two silver dollars: Harvey found thirteen pieces, and William five dollars. Some of the coins have a dragon on one side, and the old Spanish coat of arms on the other. Whether this money was buried in the westerly bank of the Sound by Captain Kidd, or some Spanish vessel has been lost there, we cannot tell. At all events, the fishermen — one hundred in number — are raking oyster-beds this morning, and many of them found additional treasure.

Mr. E. J. Cleveland, numismatologist, gives us the following explanation of the discovery: The coins are mostly silver dollars which

were coined into money at the silver mines of Peru. They are known as "cob" dollars, and bear the stamp of the Spanish government. They are very irregular, because no "collar" was used in coining. Date about 1685 to 1692. These coins were used by the Colonists as a circulating medium. (end quotation)

Incidentally, the newspaper was a little loose with a statement of fact in its headline — would you say a minor credibility gap?

● As you know, *The Numismatist* is now being bound with a square spine, a process known in the printing industry as "perfect binding." You know also that books bound with glue in the past had a tendency to come apart as the glue dried with the passing of time. The non-animal glue used today does not have that characteristic, and so our magazine should never come unbound.

● Most collectors have seen descriptions of coins in which the metal was stated as being "cupro-nickel." Curiosity caused me to consult an unabridged dictionary and here is what I found: "cupronickel (not hyphenated), any of various alloys of copper with up to 40 percent nickel."

Since most copper-nickel coins are of an alloy of 75% copper and 25% nickel (as is our 5-cent piece), they may be called "cupronickel." Turkey once issued coins said to be the reverse — 25% copper and 75% nickel — but coins of an alloy of more than 40% nickel are very few. Incidentally, commercially pure nickel coins are magnetic. — Glenn S.

FOR TOKEN COLLECTORS

Calendar Medals and Store Cards Continued from last month

N. KE. 34 — KEEPS, LTD. — 1911-1931

Obverse: - At top, KEEPS, LTD. LONDON, E.C.; in center, a diamond with a can and PRESERVATIVE at bottom of can; to left of diamond, DIAMOND; to right, BRAND; at bottom, in two lines PRESERVATIVE & COLOURING / MANUFACTURERS.

Reverse: - Moveable part at top, a cutout through which can be seen the years, 1911-1931; at top of moveable part, in seven columns and three lines, months of the year; in center within a circle of dots, CALENDAR 1911 TO 1931; within a solid circle, PATENT; below cutout, in seven columns and five lines, 1 - 31; to left in two lines, PLACE DESIRED MONTH / UNDER YEAR; to right, THE UNDERLINED JAN. & FEB. / FOR LEAP YEARS ONLY.

Size: - 38.7mm. **Metal:** - Aluminum. **Edge:** - Reeded.



K. KE. 32 — KENT MESSENGER — 1959

Obverse: - In the center, a horse on hind legs to left on banner inscribed, INVICTA; above, GOLDEN NO. 3 / EPACT 21 / SOLAR CYCLE 8 / DOMINICAL LETTER D; below, TELL ALL KENT BY A / KENT MESSENGER / ADVERTISEMENT; at lower border, K. R. PRATT — BOOKMAN (EDITOR-PROPRIETOR); at left, EMPIRE DAY MAY 24 / QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY JUNE 13 / JEWISH NEW YEAR OCT 3 5720 / DAYLIGHT SAVING APR 19 OCT. 4; at right, ST. GEORGE'S DAY APR 23 / ST. ANDREW'S " NOV 30 / ST. DAVID'S " MAR 1 / ST. PATRICK'S " MAR 17; near right border in exergue, MFTRS. MILLER. B-HAM. 18.

Reverse: - Above, KENT MESSENGER / 1959 / CENTENARY CALENDAR / SUNDAYS SHOWN BELOW; in center, a calendar of six lines and seven columns; below,

SEND YOUR ADVERT ON WED / HEAD OFFICE MAIDSTONE / TEL 3388 / THE COUNTY PAPER OF KENT; at left BANK HOLIDAYS / MAR 30 MAY 18 / AUG 3 DEC 26; at right, CHRISTMAS / DEC 25 FRI / GOOD FRIDAY MAR 27 / DEC 31 THUR.

Size: - 32. **Metals:** - Aluminum and copper. **Edge:** - Plain.

Certainly these are among the most attractively designed of the modern calendar medals. Kent Messenger advised that no other issues were made. This was their centennial year and was one of the ways that they commemorated the event.



N. KI. 5 — KITCHEN, W. W. — 1892

Obverse: - Same as N.KI. 4.

Reverse: - Identical inscription as on N.KI. 3, but this piece has a moveable brass center as on N.KI. 4.

Size: - 19. **Metals:** - Aluminum and brass. **Edge:** - Plain.

Apparently pieces N.KI. 4 and N.KI. 5 are complete calendars in themselves, but there must be other pieces in the set, possibly as many as six, of the type of N.KI. 3 for the other dominical letters.

N.KI. 6 — KITCHEN, W. W.

Obverse: - Same as on N.KI. 1.

Reverse: - In two concentric circles, outermost are the abbreviations of the twelve months, with the days of the week within the inner circle. On the piece illustrated as N.KI. 1 - S for Sunday is opposite JAN. and OCT. On this piece, as illustrated on page 218 of *The Numismatist*, Oct. 1898, the S of Sunday is opposite APR. and JUL.

Size: - 19. **Metal:** - Copper, silvered. **Edge:** - Plain.



N. KI. 7 — KITCHEN, W. W.

Obverse: - Same as N. KI. 1.

Reverse: - Very similar to N. KI. 1 and N. KI. 6, but S of Sunday opposite JUN.

Size: - 19. **Metal:** - Copper. **Edge:** - Plain.

Since three of seven time pieces have now been recorded, it must be assumed that the other four pieces will eventually be found. These will be numbered N.KI. 8 through N.KI. 11.



N. KI. 20 — KITCHENER, EARL

Obverse: In center, bust of Kitchener to front; around, EARL • KITCHENER • G • C • B • MINISTER • OF • WAR • 1914.

Reverse: - Moveable calendar, fixed portion has days of the week. Moveable top, PERPETUAL/CALENDAR in two lines; to right, CHANGE DAY ON; at bottom, FIRST OF EACH / MONTH in two lines; in center, in five columns and seven lines, 1 through 31.

Size: - 28. **Metal:** - Silver. **Edge:** - Plain.



N. KN. 1 — KNIGHT, BEVAN & STURGE — 1904-1925

Obverse: - Around, + PORTLAND + CEMENT, within a beaded circle; KNIGHT, BEVAN & STURGE LONDON; around in the center, a pyramid with TRADE / MARK PYRAMID, on each side.

Reverse: - Calendar for years 1901 - 1925; in center within two circles of dots, BALFOUR GUTHRIE & CO. •••

Size: - 24½. **Metal:** - Aluminum. **Edge:** - Reeded.

N. KR. 1-3 — KRAFFT, VIENNA — 1767-1769

Obverse: - In center, a calendar in six lines and seven columns; above (date) CALENDRIER / LES DIMANCHES DES MOIS (French — Calendar / The Sundays of the Month); in lower right corner, M. KRAFFT F. / A VIENNE; in other three quadrants are dates of holidays.

Reverse: - The phases of the moon are given in the center, with dates of various holidays given in the other four quadrants.

Size: - 26. **Metal:** - Silver. **Edge:** - Plain.



These calendars are amazingly similar to the English pieces of the period, such as Powell of Birmingham. Years known, 1767, 1768, and 1769.

N. KR. 4 — KRAMER, CLARENCE — 1969

Obverse: - At top, KRAMER'S NESCO MANOR, INC. / N; within wreath, ROUTE 309 - DRUMS, PA. 18222. / PHONE 788-2452 / MOTEL • COIN SHOP • FABRICS • GIFTS • MODERN GROVE • 3 ornaments; in center, 1969 calendar, each month in a square; three columns on months, each month in five lines and seven columns; three ornaments / PERSONAL GREETINGS FROM / CLARENCE C. KRAMER / I.O.W.M.C.

Reverse: - A candle with greens; below, SEASON'S / GREETINGS.

Size: - 64 x 144. **Fabric:** - Thin wood sheet. **Edge:** - Plain.

N. KR. 5 — KRAMER, CLARENCE — 1970

Obverse: - As preceding, except last line which reads, PRESIDENT - I.O.W.M.C. (International Order of Wooden Money Collectors).

Reverse: - MERRY / CHRISTMAS / AND A / HAPPY / NEW YEAR, in five lines surrounded by snowflakes.

Size: - 64 x 144. **Fabric:** - Wood. **Edge:** - Plain.

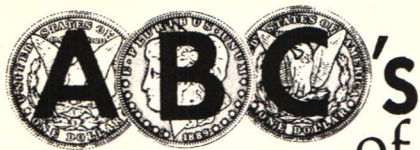
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OFFICIAL UNITED STATES MINT REPORT COIN DATES 1973 — OCTOBER

Denomination	Prev. Total	Oct. Total	1973 Total
Dollars	4,000,056	0 -	4,000,056
Half Dollars	112,039,400	15,506,000	127,545,056
Quarters	439,925,400	45,264,000	485,189,400
Dimes	572,143,400	78,180,000	650,232,400
Five-cent pieces	454,065,400	60,496,000	514,561,400
One-cent pieces	5,443,405,277	713,080,360	6,156,485,637
Proof coin sets (SF)	1,980,618	348,902	2,339,520
Unc. silver dollars (SF)	1,302,098	0 -	1,302,098
Proof silver dollars (SF)	730,193	0 -	730,193

Coinage Executed for Foreign Governments at Philadelphia

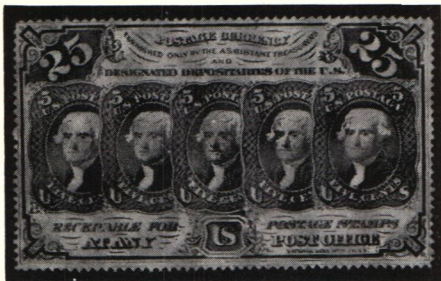
Country	Denomination	Prev. Total	Oct. Total	1973 Total
Taiwan	5 dollar	0 -	16,300,000	16,300,000
Oct. Total Oct. Total				
Taiwan	1 dollar	2,596,000	29,088,000	31,684,000



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tips for research & reading

FRACTIONAL CURRENCY



Last month we talked about encased postage stamps which appeared early in the Civil War, along with other unauthorized money substitutes such as tokens, store cards and shin plasters. These were all prohibited by the government in 1862, and fractional currency was issued officially to meet the dire need for a minor medium of exchange.

This necessity currency appeared from 1862 to 1876 in denominations of up to 50 cents. Prior to the first issue, known as "postage currency," U.S. Treasurer Spinner had some "samples" made up by pasting postage stamps of small denomination on uniform size bits of Treasury Department paper. There followed four issues, termed "fractional currency," that underwent various changes with each issue, each of which had several varieties.

For interesting reading concerning this series, the following books are available from the ANA library to members who wish to borrow them:

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| US50
R6 | Rothert - <i>A Guide Book of United States Fractional Currency.</i> |
| US50
V3 | Valentine - <i>Fractional Currency of the United States.</i> |
| US50
L5u | Limpert - <i>United States Postage Currency, August 1862 - May 1863, and Fractional Currency, October 1863 - February 1876.</i> |



All American Numismatic Association members in good standing are invited to exhibit at the upcoming 83rd ANA Convention. Anyone wishing to exhibit must first obtain the revised exhibiting form.

Adna G. Wilde, chairman of the exhibits committee, has submitted revisions of the form to the Board of Governors of ANA. They will review these changes and make them official at their interim meeting in February. The revisions are to include rules and point score ratings in certain categories. Wilde advises a very close perusal of the rules to highlight changes made from the 1973 forms.

About March 1, potential exhibitors may acquire the necessary forms from Gene Hynds, chm., exhibits, Box 610-426, North Miami, FL 33161.

Should an exhibitor wish to set up at leisure, or wish to use the official ANA security, the exhibitor must pre-register. This includes, among other things, the badge, ribbon and personal identification card. Without this, it will be impossible to enter the exhibits area in advance of regular

show hours. With it, the exhibitor is granted access to the exhibits area prior to admission of the public — a situation much desired by the experienced exhibitor.

Bob Hendershott, general chairman of the convention, is alert to the transportation problems extant throughout the land. Efforts are being made to make travel as easy as possible. Bob is contacting all public travel sources; airlines, rail and bus companies. Workable developments will be reported in the numismatic weekly newspapers.

And when you arrive . . . the Americana Hotel offers a combined exhibits/bourse display area that is unique. The 175 table bourse will be housed on the upstairs floor at lobby level and the exhibits sector will be a flight down. There will be approximately 20,000 square feet of ex-

hibiting to wander around in. Such a large amount of space permits sectioning off the various categories in a tidy manner. For example, important government official exhibits will have a spacious area in which to put up their exhibits. Similarly, movie theatres will have ample room.

The hospitality and special events area will be in the overall exhibits floor. Bob is at present seeking commitments from various historical

groups to send costumed workers to man the hospitality booth. He is also seeking commitments from firms in the form of cash donations to sponsor "Days" or portions of days at the hospitality booth.

Once again, everyone who has an idea that will advance the onsite program for junior numismatics is invited to write to: Claude Godfrey, Chairman, Junior Numismatists Program, P.O. Box 610-426, North Miami, FL 33161.

SUMMARY REPORT ~

December Board Meeting

If you were a member of the ANA board of governors, what would be the first action you would advocate? The first thing the current board did at its November 30 - December 2 meeting was to give unanimous approval for hiring the association's key salaried personnel on a two-year contract basis. This replaces the old plan of the board appointing such officers on an annual basis. Political influence will be minimized by working toward starting the contracts in off-election years.

As reported by President Virginia Culver on her page in the January issue, Arthur M. Fitts III was employed, effective January 1, as Assistant to the Executive Director. Arthur has been well known for some years in numismatic circles in the Boston area and made his mark nationally as general chairman of the highly successful 1973 convention in that city. From among several candidates for the position, Arthur was chosen unanimously by the board.

N. Neil Harris of Lafayette, Ind., our historian since the retirement of Jack W. Ogilvie several years ago, was the unanimous choice among applicants to fill the editorship of *The Numismatist*. The position has been vacant since the resignation of Thomas Marshall last August.

Neil is highly regarded in the

Midwest for his numismatic activities in Indiana, and to readers of *The Numismatist* for his series of articles, started in January of 1970, on ANA convention badges and medals. Board members were impressed by his devotion to ANA, his enthusiasm for filling the full-time position, and by his demonstrated ability as a sculptor. He has located housing for his family in Colorado Springs and plans to be "on the job" about mid-January.

Unanimous approval was given to proceed with the construction of additional museum space in the Colorado Springs headquarters building. The new galleries of modern medallic art, Colonial coins, and representative U. S. coins from 1792 to date will about treble our present museum space.

Much of the cost of these new facilities was provided for by the

Joseph M. Segel family when it gave 1000 shares of Franklin Mint stock to ANA, at the same time donating examples of all medals issued by the Franklin Mint. Plans for the new museum space were drawn up, without cost to ANA, by specialists of the Mint staff after several visits to the Colorado Springs headquarters.

As usual at board meetings in recent years, a large number of complaints against members and requests for reinstatement to membership were considered by the board after having been reviewed in detail by the Complaints Committee. Based on formal charges filed, and in accordance with provisions of our bylaws, the board voted the following actions: suspension — Kevin T. A. Gordon, David Hall and John G. Wood; expulsion — Harold Sharp and Frank G. Spadone.

With a view to avoiding unethical practices during future elections of officers, the board adopted the following items of a Code of Election Ethics:

a. No member shall cause to be published or distributed any ANA election campaign advertising material containing one or more names and/or pictures of ANA members without their consent.

b. No member may make or publish any false, misleading, libelous or slanderous statements.

c. No member may cause to be published or distributed any advertisement relating to an ANA election which does not include the name and address of the sponsoring person or organization. If the sponsor is a committee or organization, the name and address of its chairman or other principal representative must be included in the advertisement.

d. No advertisement relating to an ANA election (or any envelope or wrapper thereof) shall include any name, abbreviation, device or address which will in any manner indicate or imply ANA's endorsement of or opposition to any candidate.

e. Any member violating any of the preceding provisions shall be subject

to expulsion, suspension or other disciplinary action therefore by the Board of Governors of ANA.

The following items apply to members of the Board of Governors only:

f. No board member will be eligible for a bourse table at an ANA convention.

g. A board member will not be eligible to receive, during his term of office, a competitive exhibit award, the Farran Zerbe Award, the Medal of Merit, a Heath Literary Award, or any other award given by ANA; provided, however, that he may accept the 25-year and 50-year membership medals and noncompetitive exhibit awards during such term.

h. A board member may file a written complaint against another ANA member, but may not orally argue in support of his complaint at any board meeting, in the absence of the party against whom the complaint is filed. He may supplement such written complaint by written statements and other evidential matters provided that copies thereof are furnished to the other party prior to taking any disciplinary action. A board member may orally answer questions of other board members regarding such complaint. A board member may not vote at a meeting of the Complaints Committee or at a meeting of the board with respect to any complaint made by him or against him.

i. A board member may not vote at a board meeting on any matter in which he has a financial interest or which involves any company or firm with which he is associated as an owner, director, employee or otherwise. The ownership of less than one half of one percent ($1/2\%$) of the corporate stock of any company listed on a national securities exchange shall not be deemed to be an ownership or financial interest sufficient to disqualify him from voting upon a matter in which such company is involved.

The possibility and the cost thereof

of indexing the last 15 years of *The Numismatist* is to be investigated by the librarian and executive director. They are to investigate also the possibility of microfilming *The Numismatist*.

The board agreed to accept the gift of two parcels of land offered by member Louis Nagy of Chicago.

A balanced budget, as revised by the Finance Committee during this meeting, with an income and expenses of approximately \$425,000, was adopted for the 1973-74 fiscal year.

Two proposed numismatic tours, to be available to ANA members, were discussed and will be investigated further. One is to Eastern Europe in the spring, sponsored by the Citizens Exchange Corps, the other a post-1974 convention tour from Miami Beach to the Bahamas. Further details will be published soon.

With the view to expediting the handling of items submitted to ANACS for authentication, the board created the position of authenticator and tentatively appointed temporary staff member Francis Fazzari to it, effective February 1.

There was discussion of possible new convention exhibit classifications but definite action was deferred pending further study of the matter. Revised exhibit and judging rules for the 1974 convention, somewhat simplified relative to the 1973 rules, were adopted and will be available shortly to concerned members.

The applications of well over 200 dealers for bourse tables at the 1974 convention in Bal Harbour were considered carefully and assignments were made, based on several factors such as support of ANA through advertising, contributions, etc., for the 170-odd tables available. A few runners-up were placed on a standby list to fill possible cancellations.

The board went on record as favor-

ing the relaxation of restrictions on the importation and holding of gold coins minted after April 15, 1933. The Secretary of the Treasury and other government officials are being requested, in the name of the association, to implement this action.

As a result of the Advisory Council's recommendation that the bylaws be revised to make past presidents of ANA ineligible to hold any elective office, the board provided for polling the membership during the 1975 election for an expression of its will in this matter.

Provision was made for the appointment of a special Bicentennial Committee to initiate and coordinate all ANA activities relating to the observation of the American Revolutionary Bicentennial Celebration.

The board accepted Albert H. Wohlers' suggestion that a Travel Accident Insurance Policy be purchased by ANA to cover its elected and appointed officers while traveling out of their town of residence on ANA business. The annual premium for the policy is approximately \$175; the coverage in case of death or dismemberment per person is \$100,000 for those under age 70, and \$50,000 for those between the ages of 70 and 75. Since ANA is the purchaser and owner of this insurance, it will be the beneficiary of a minimum of 50% of the benefit in each case.

The meetings of the entire board, with Executive Director Rochette, his new assistant Arthur M. Fitts III, Treasurer William Henderson and Legal Counsel Ellis Edlow in attendance also, consumed about 25 hours during the three days. In addition, the Complaints and Finance Committees held evening meetings. President Virginia Culver conducted the board meeting effectively, and expressed her satisfaction with the progress made for the good of the association.



MINT MAY SWITCH TO ALUMINUM CENTS

Because of the rising price of copper, the Treasury Department is requesting Congress to grant standby authority to the Secretary of the Treasury to change the present copper alloy of the 1¢ piece to an aluminum alloy, Mrs. Mary Brooks, Director of the Mint, announced.

Upon approval of the legislation and determination by the Secretary of the Treasury that the use of copper in the cent is no longer practicable, the Mint would go into production of aluminum 1¢ pieces. Tests are presently being conducted on 7 different aluminum alloys to determine the most coinable alloy to achieve a quality 96% aluminum alloy cent.

It is expected it would take at least three months to produce and secure sufficient quantity of the aluminum alloy before the Mint could go into the production of the aluminum cent. Until such time as the Mint's bronze supply would be exhausted, copper 1¢ pieces would continue to be produced.

Current law requires the cent to be made of a bronze alloy consisting of 95% copper and 5% zinc. This past year, the price of copper has more than doubled. In recent weeks, the price has exceeded \$1.00 per pound compared with a price of 50¢ a pound last January.

With copper prices fluctuating around \$1.00 per pound, the metal cost of the cent is about .7 cent. Manufacturing and transportation expenses amount to approximately .2 cent for each piece, making the cost of the 1¢ piece .9 cent.

If the price of copper increased to \$1.20 per pound, the cost of making a cent would exceed the face value of the coin. Should the price exceed \$1.50 per pound, the metal value alone of the 1¢ piece would be higher than the face value, and hoarding and melting of the cents for their metal content could result.

Taking the cent out of circulation in this manner would cause a coin shortage and place an intolerable burden on the Mint's production facilities. Last year the Mint produced 9 billion coins of which 7 billion pieces were cents. 30 billion cents are estimated to be currently in circulation. This increases the Mint's concern if replacement had to be added to current yearly production.

In preparing for the future eventuality, the Mint some time ago initiated a study of substitute coinage metal. This recently completed study reveals that an aluminum alloy would be the most practical alternative to the bronze cent. It is durable, corrosion resistant and has proved an acceptable coinage metal in 36 countries of the free world where pure aluminum or aluminum alloy coins circulate.

The change from copper to

aluminum cents would also result in at least a 40 million dollar saving in a year — a saving which would be returned to the General Fund of the Treasury to the benefit of all the taxpayers.

From a pound of aluminum currently selling at 30¢ a pound, the Mint could produce 500 cents compared to 150 cents from a pound of copper. This would make the metal cost of an aluminum cent .07 cent or one-tenth of the metal

cost of the present copper cent. An aluminum cent weighs 30% of a bronze cent. The lower weight of the aluminum needed to make a cent of the same size as the copper cent, assures that the metal cost would remain significantly lower than its face value for some time to come.

A 50% energy saving in cent strip production and transportation would be an added advantage during the current energy crisis.

NOTES & QUERIES

TAMS LAUNCHES MINT CATALOGUE EFFORT

One of the great remaining uncatalogued areas in American numismatics is the field of medals. In an effort to close one of these gaps, and, to serve as a contribution to the nation's Bicentennial in 1976, the Token and Medal Society (TAMS) has responded by voting to help fund a study which will result in a subsequent catalogue of those pieces struck in the mints of the United States. Due to the great complexity even in this series, only medals struck through the end of 1899 will be covered.

The study will be conducted by Robert W. Julian, Logansport, Indiana. A high school teacher in his hometown, Julian is a competent and respected researcher-author who has had nearly eighty articles, on a wide variety of subjects, appear in most of the major numismatic publications over the past ten years.

The Julian study will cover all medals struck by the Mint prior to 1900. There are well over 500 such pieces and they cover such diverse topics as political, cabinet officers, Mint officials, religious, fraternal, commemorative, school awards, military and naval, the 1876 Centennial, foreign, Indian Peace medals and others.

The first real effort to catalogue some

of the Mint medals came in 1861 when Col. James R. Snowden published a list of medals contained in the Mint collection. Then in 1878, J.F. Loubat published his study of the official medals authorized by the Congress. In 1972 Bauman Belden finished his well-known work on the Indian Peace Medals, a study brought up to date and completed by F. P. Prucha in 1971. Then, in 1969, Eleonora Hayden and Kenneth Failor produced the government catalogue giving the historical background of those pieces currently for sale by the Mints.

So far as is known, no other nation has ever produced a catalogue of all medals struck in the government mints. The Smirnov book on Russian medals, published in 1908, perhaps is the closest foreign attempt to this end, but even that volume only described the medals and nothing more.

In the current effort it will be attempted, for each medal, to provide the following information: photograph of specimen, description, size, metal(s) used, designer, engraver, date(s) struck, quantities issued, historical background and, when possible, location of specimens.

It is almost certain that he will appeal to the numismatic public for help in locating those medals which cannot be located in the Smithsonian Institution

or the American Numismatic Society collections. It may come as a distinct surprise, but in early years Mint authorities made no effort to build a collection of all the medals that they struck. Hopefully, medal collectors will respond by checking their collections and those of local museums so that specimens may be located for photography, thereby assuring that the catalogue can become something useful for all.

Presently Mr. Julian has already compiled approximately thirty per cent of the data necessary for the completion of this effort. The current role of TAMS is to help fund the gathering of considerable amounts of documentation in the form of microfilm, document copies, photographs, etc., from archives in Washington, New York, Philadelphia and elsewhere. During this ongoing research phase Julian will be working closely with N. Neil Harris of Lafayette, Indiana, TAMS book editor and board member.

Between now and the proposed publication target date of the catalogue, early in 1976, Harris and TAMS will be seeking additional funding from various sources to offset the many other costs that will be encountered

through the duration of the project and at publication time.

With this project, TAMS continues to fulfill its purpose and aims by promoting, stimulating, and permanently recording historical information relating to tokens and medals. In addition, this project is the second such project entered into by TAMS since 1972. Currently TAMS member Charles V. Kappen of San Jose, California is preparing the final manuscript for a catalogue of California tokens. Present plans call for this catalogue to be published ahead of the Julian effort.

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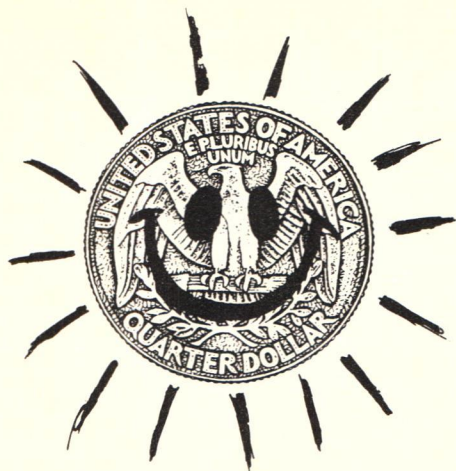
Records are made to be broken and A. Kosoff of Palm Springs reports the sale of an extremely high relief 1907 double Eagle at a new record price for a single coin at \$125,000.

Kosoff set previous highs of \$80,000.00 for the Idler 1804 silver dollar and \$100,000 for the Hyde-man 1913 liberty head nickel. A recent sale of the 1794 silver dollar by Superior Coin Co. at \$110,000 has also been eclipsed by this report.

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calendar of events

EAST

- FEBRUARY**
2-3 MONTOURSVILLE, PA. Holiday Inn, Route 220 North, between Williamsport and Montoursville. Williamsport Area Numismatic Society 6th Annual Coin & Stamp Show. Francis E. Burke, 228 Broad St., Montoursville, PA 17754.
9-10 NIAGARA FALLS, NY. Treadway Inn, 7001 Buffalo Ave. Niagara Frontier Coin Club 10th Annual Winter Festival Coin and Stamp Show. Jerry Harvey, L.P.O. Box 24, Niagara Falls, NY 14304.
10 HAZLET, NJ. Holiday Inn, Rt. 35. Semi-annual Monmouth Coin Club Show. William H. Horton, Jr., P.O. Box 302, Cliffwood, NJ 07721.
23 PARAMUS, NJ. Auditorium, Bergen Mall. Bergen County Coin Club 14th Annual Coin Show. Robert D. Hadley, Jr., P.O. Box 44, Hillsdale, NJ 07642.
MARCH
2 SCHENECTADY, NY. Holiday Inn, 100 Nott Terrace. The Western Gateway Coin Club Inc., 11th Annual Jamboree. W.G. C.C., 28 Eastholm Rd., Schenectady, NY 12304.
2-3 HAGERSTOWN, MD. Venice Ballroom. 25th Semi-annual Coin Show of the Interstate Coin Club, Inc. George E. Harsh, Box 1901, Hagerstown, MD 21740.
3 WEST HAVEN, CT. K of C Hall, Central Street. Liberty Coin Club Inc., 20th Semi-annual Coin Show. Jerry Forbes, 3 Anderson Ave., Woodmont, CT 06460.
23-24 ALLENTOWN, PA. George Washington Motor Lodge, Intersection of Rt. 22 and N. 7th St. extension (McArthur Rd) 10th Annual Lehigh Valley Coin Show sponsored by Allentown, Bethlehem and Lehigh Valley Coin Clubs. R.J. Strisofsky, 3304 N. 3rd St., Hokendauqua, PA.
LEWISTOWN, PA. Lewistown State Fire School, N. Fourth St., Lewistown Coin Club 8th Annual Coin Show. Walter C. Bidle, RD 1, Box 161-A-1, Lewistown, PA 17044.
VIRGINIA BEACH, VA. Mariner Resort Inn on the Ocean at 57th St. Tidewater Coin Club, Inc. 13th Annual Coinarama. Sam Ungar, P.O. Box 7251, Norfolk, VA 23509.
24 WILLIMANTIC, CT. Ukrainian Club Hall, Rt. 6 First Annual Mansfield Numismatic Society Coin Show. Ed Straub, 49 Ash St., Willimantic, CT 06226. (Changed from January 27)
30-31 LYNDHURST, NJ. Lyndhurst Holiday Inn, Route 3. Bloomfield Coin Club 8th Annual Coin Show and Auction. James J. Trotta, 74 Parkway West, Bloomfield, NJ 07003.
WEST MIFFLIN, PA. Holiday Inn, 3122 Lebanon Church Rd. McKeesport Coin Collectors Club 11th Annual Show. Martha M. Strohm, 3504 Foster Rd., McKeesport PA 15131.
31 MANCHESTER, CT. K of C Hall, 138 Main Street. Central Connecticut Coin Club Annual Coin Show. Al Kirka, 116 Oak St. Manchester, CT 06040.
APRIL
20-21 POTTSTOWN, PA. Holiday Inn, Route 100 & King St. Central Pennsylvania Numismatic Association Coin Show. John E. Mull, 30 Hockersville Rd., Hershey, PA 17033.
27-28 CUMBERLAND, MD. Fort Cumberland Hotel. Western Maryland Coin Club Annual Coin Show. George Waingold, P.O. Box 3217, LaVale, MD 21502.

CENTRAL

- FEBRUARY**
2-3 ASHLAND, OH. Ashland Army, 512 E. Main St. Ashland Stamp & Coin Club Mid-Winter Show. Mrs. Virgil Miller, R.R. 2, Box 54, Ashland, OH 44805.
OMAHA, NB. Howard Johnson Motel, 72nd & I-80. Sac Midwest Coin Club Show. W. M. Carlstrom, Box 314 Fremont, NB 68025.
ST. PAUL, MN. Holiday Inn, 161 St. Anthony St., I-94. 1974 Coin Carnival. Fred L. Steward, 519 N. Hamline Ave., St. Paul, MN 55104.
3 BLOOMFIELD HILLS, MI. Masonic Temple, 357 N. Woodard Ave. Birmingham-Bloomfield Coin Club 10th Annual Coin Show. BBCC, P. O. Box 23, Birmingham, MI 48012.
23-24 PERRY, IA. National Guard Armory, 11th Mid-Iowa Coin-A-Rama sponsored by Boone, Ames, Grand Junction and Perry Coin Clubs. Ed Baer, Box 266, Perry, Iowa 50220.
MARCH
1-3 SHAKER HEIGHTS, OH. Stouffers Somerset Inn, Northfield and Chagrin Blvd., St. Rts. 8 and 422. Warrensville Heights Coin Club 13th Annual Coin Show and Auction. Lou Irwin, 20320 Farnsleigh Rd., Cleveland, OH 44122.
9-10 MINNEAPOLIS, MN. Leamington Hotel, 10th St. & 3rd Ave. S. Northwest Coin Club 40th Annual Spring Show. Joseph Bidwell, 4000 Washington St. NE, Minneapolis, MN 55420.
10 EAST DETROIT, MI. Eagle's Hall, 14855 Eight Mile Rd. East Detroit Coin Club Annual Spring Show. Lucian Chojecke, c/o EDCC, P.O. Box 44, East Detroit, MI 48021.
15-17 ST LOUIS, MO. Hilton Inn, 10330 Natural Bridge Road. St. Louis Numismatic Association 10th Annual Greater America Coin Fair. John Foster, P.O. Box 13498, St. Louis, MO 63138.
17 KANKAKEE, IL. Kankakee Civic Auditorium. Kankakee Coin Club Spring Show. Frank W. St. Louis, 964 S. Lincoln Ave., Kankakee, IL 60901.
23-24 PARIS, TN. Grove Jr. High School. Tennessee Valley Coin Club 8th Annual Show. TVCC, P.O. Box 253, Paris, TN.
31 MADISON, WI. East Side Business Men's Association, 3735 Monona Dr. Madison Coin Club Show. Don Clark, 1947 Winnebago St., Madison, WI 53704.
MASON CITY, IA. Kof C Hall, Highway 18 West. River City Coin Club 5th Annual Coin Show. Alice Broers, 1416 2nd St. SE, Mason City, IA 50401.
APRIL
7 MONROE, MI. Holiday Inn, I-75, Exit Dixie Hwy. Monroe Coin Club 3rd Annual Coin Show. Mrs. B. P. Beneteau, P. O. Box 44, Monroe, MI 48161.
21 SEYMOUR, IN. Seymour Holiday Inn at I-65 & US 50 Junction. 14th Annual Seymour, Indiana Coin Club Coin Show. Walter Meyer, P.O. Box 263, Seymour, IN 47274.
28 NILES, IL. Leaning Tower YMCA, 6300 W. Touhy. Morton Grove Coin Club Annual Spring Coin Festival. MGCC, P.O. Box 43, Morton Grove, IL 60053.
MAY
18-19 COLUMBIA, MO. Columbia Coin Club Annual Show. Don Rose, 3616 Rock Quarry Road #17, Columbia, MO 65201.

SOUTH

- FEBRUARY**
1-3 HOUSTON, TX. Rice Hotel. The Greater Houston Coin Club Annual Money Show. Robert Astrich or John Herbert, P.O. Box 2963, Houston, TX 77001.

- 2-3 MONTGOMERY, AL. Downtowner Motor Inn, 120 Madison Ave. Central Alabama 12th Semi-Annual Coin Show sponsored by Montgomery Coin Club. Charles H. Flynn, Box 9135, Montgomery, AL 36108.
- 9-10 NEW ORLEANS, LA. Fontainebleau Motor Hotel, 4040 Tulane Ave. Crescent City Coin Club Annual Coinival. Robert S. Eddy III, R.R. 5, Box 76 A, Military Rd. Covington, LA 70433.
- 22-24 GREENVILLE, SC. Memorial Auditorium, 300 E. North St., Greenville Coin Club 14th Annual Show. J. E. Wright, P. O. Box 245, Greenville, SC 29602.
- MARCH
2-3 SILVER SPRINGS, FL. Skyline Room. Ocala Coin Club 3rd Annual Coin Show. Vera McClellan, P.O. Box 1612, Ocala, FL 32670.
- 3 NEW ORLEANS, LA. Fontainebleau Motor Hotel, Gentilly Coin Club 3rd Annual Mardi Gras Show. Clem Thomann, P. O. Box 4, Chalmette, LA 70043.
- MAY
10-12 HUNTSVILLE, AL. The Mall. 5th Annual Metropolitan Kiwanis Coin Show sponsored by the Rocket City Coin Club. Huntsville Coin Show, P.O. Box 750, Huntsville, Alabama 35804.
- AUGUST
13-18 BAL HARBOUR, FL. Americana Hotel, 83rd Anniversary ANA Convention. Robert L. Hendershott, P.O. Box 929, Clearwater, FL 33517.
- WEST
- FEBRUARY
7-10 LOS ANGELES, CA. Hilton Hotel (downtown LA) Numismatic Association of Southern California's 19th Annual Convention. Gordon Z. Greene, 1220D East Walnut St., Santa Ana, CA 92701.
- 15-16 APACHE JUNCTION, AZ. National Guard Armory, 615 N. Center St. Mesa Coin Club 5th Annual Coin and Stamp Show. Chester D. Elliott, P.O. Box 917, Apache Junction, AZ 85220.
- 16-17 YUMA, AZ. Stardust Hotel, 2350 4th Ave. Yuma Coin Festival sponsored by Yuma Coin Club. Don Bailey, P. O. Box 4281, Yuma, AZ.
- 23-24 ALBANY, OR. Elks Lodge. 8th Annual Timber Coinarama sponsored by Mid-Valley Coin Club. Fred Quick, P.O. Box 765, Corvallis, Oregon 97330.
- BELLINGHAM, WA. F.O.E. Eagles Hall, 1125 N. Forest. Bellingham Coin Club 4th Annual Coin & Stamp Show. Juanita McKeown, P.O. Box 124, Bellingham, WA 98225.
- MARCH
1-3 LAS VEGAS, NV. The Hilton Hotel. Las Vegas Numismatic Society 11th Annual Coin Show. Bill Floto, 2013 Canosa, Las Vegas, NV 89105.
- 24 NEPA, CA. Main Exhibition Hall, Town & Country Fairgrounds. Napa Valley Coin Club 10th Annual Coin Show. George Wells, 313 Tammy Way, Napa, CA 94558.
- APRIL
27-28 SPOKANE, WA. Spokane Interstate Fairgrounds, E. Broadway Ave. at N. Havana St. Inland Empire Coin Club 10th Annual Coin-Vention. Dick Trowbridge, N. 3221 Park Rd., Spokane, WA 99206.
- MAY
3-5 OGDEN, UT. Holiday Inn, 33rd & Washington Blvd. Ogden Coin Club 2nd Annual Northern Utah Coin Show. Grant L. Cavalli, Box 1175, Ogden UT 84402.
- 17-19 SEATTLE, WA. Seattle Hyatt House Hotel, 17001 Pacific Hiway South. Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association Convention. C. E. Heppner, 1338 3rd Ave., Seattle, WA 98101.
- FOREIGN
- MARCH
28-30 MEXICO CITY. Fiesta Palace Hotel, Reforma No. 8. Convention of the Sociedad Numismatica De Mexico. Anna Maria Cross de Torres, Apartado Postal 60-589, Mexico 18 D.F.
- MAY
4-5 HELSINGBORG, SWEDEN. Sport Center of Helsingborg, 2nd Numismatic Fair in Helsingborg. Helsingborg Exhibitions Ltd., Hamnorget, S. 252 21 Helsingborg, Sweden.
- 25-27 VANCOUVER, B.C. 2nd Annual V.I.C.E. Counterfeit Seminar, Vancouver International Coin Enthusiasts's Society. V. I.C.E. P. O. Box 35484, Vancouver, B.C., Canada, V6M 4G8.
- FUTURE ANA CONVENTIONS
- 1975 LOS ANGELES, CA. Los Angeles Marriot Hotel. 84th Anniversary Convention. Edwin C. Borgolte, P. O. Box 2377, Sepulveda, CA 91343.
- AUG. 19-24 NEW YORK, NY. Americana Hotel. 85th Anniversary Convention. Dates and general chairman to be announced.
- 1976 ATLANTA, GA. 86th Anniversary Convention. Place, dates and general chairman to be announced.
- 1977

MEMBERSHIP/REPORT

Applications R-77233 through R-77580 and LM-1309, 1310, 1311, 1314 and 1326, as published in the December issue, have been accepted for membership.

The following applications were received in December 1973. If no objections are filed prior to March 1, 1974, these applicants will become members on that date and notice to this effect will appear in the April, 1974, issue.

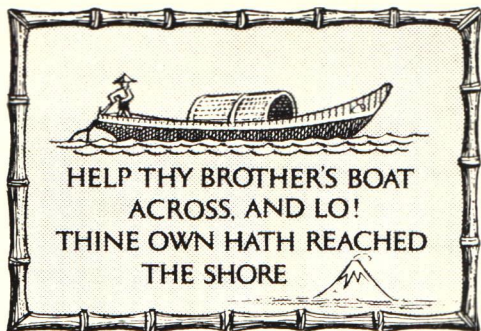
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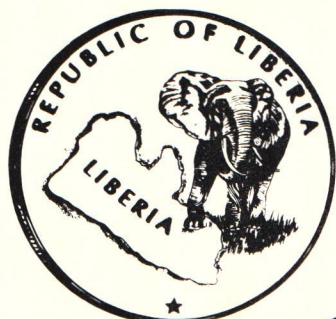
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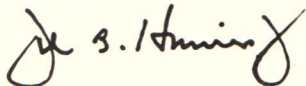
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1891cc	\$35.00
1892cc	\$125.00

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1893cc	\$450.00
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1890o	\$15.00
1891p	\$16.00
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1891s	\$14.00
1892p	\$34.00
1892o	\$30.00

1893p	\$135.00
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1901p	\$275.00
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1902p	\$15.00
1903o	\$33.00
1903p	\$9.00
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1904s	

PEACE DOLLARS

1921p	\$65.00
1922s	\$6.00
1922d	\$6.00
1923s	\$6.00
1923d	\$7.00
1924s	\$45.00
1925s	\$33.00
1926s	\$13.00
1926d	\$10.00
1926p	\$14.00
1927p	\$25.00
1927d	\$50.00
1927s	\$75.00
1928p	\$110.00
1928s	\$50.00
1934d	\$40.00
1934s	\$400.00
1934p	\$27.00
1935s	\$75.00
1935p	\$24.00

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	VG	F	VF	XF
1878cc	4.75	5.00	5.25	6.50
1879cc	10.00	14.00	20.00	35.00
1880cc	16.00	20.00	25.00	31.00
1881cc	20.00	25.00	30.00	35.00
1882cc	6.00	7.50	9.00	12.00
1883cc	6.00	7.50	9.00	12.00
1884cc	14.00	15.00	16.00	17.00
1885cc	20.00	25.00	30.00	35.00
1889cc	45.00	55.00	75.00	175.00
1890cc	5.00	6.00	7.50	10.00
1891cc	5.00	6.00	7.50	10.00
1892cc	10.00	13.00	19.00	30.00
1893cc	12.00	18.00	23.00	50.00
1886s	8.00	9.00	12.00	14.00
1888s	8.00	9.00	12.00	14.00
1889s	8.00	9.00	12.00	14.00
1893p	8.00	9.00	15.00	18.00
1893o	10.00	12.00	19.00	45.00
1893s	125.00	175.00	220.00	450.00
1894p	35.00	45.00	60.00	70.00
1894s	5.00	6.00	10.00	20.00
1895o	10.00	15.00	25.00	50.00
1895s	18.00	25.00	40.00	70.00
1896s	—	—	11.00	35.00
1899s	—	—	5.50	9.00
1901s	—	—	5.50	9.00
1902s	12.00	15.00	20.00	30.00
1903s	—	—	11.00	40.00

PEACE DOLLARS

VF		XF	AN
1921p	12.00	15.00	25.00
1925s	—	7.00	13.00
1927d	—	8.00	19.00
1927s	—	8.00	25.00
1928P	60.00	68.00	80.00
1928s	—	6.50	12.00
1934p	12.00	14.00	17.00
1934d	—	7.00	20.00
1934s	12.00	40.00	150.00
1935p	7.00	8.50	14.00
1935s	—	12.00	40.00

1903o	\$650.00
1904p	\$420.00
1921d	\$135.00
1921s	\$135.00
1922d	\$130.00
1922s	\$130.00
1923s	\$130.00
1924p	\$100.00
1925p	\$100.00
1926s	\$270.00
1926d	\$225.00
1926p	\$280.00

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1878 8TH	\$290.00
1878 7/8	\$325.00
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1878p	\$15.00
1878s	\$140.00
1879p	\$140.00
1879s	\$110.00
1880p	\$120.00
1880o	\$190.00
1881p	\$125.00
1885s	\$475.00
1886s	\$1300.00
1887s	\$450.00
1888s	\$1300.00
1889o	\$410.00
1891p	\$340.00
1891o	\$340.00
1891s	\$300.00
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1892o	\$600.00
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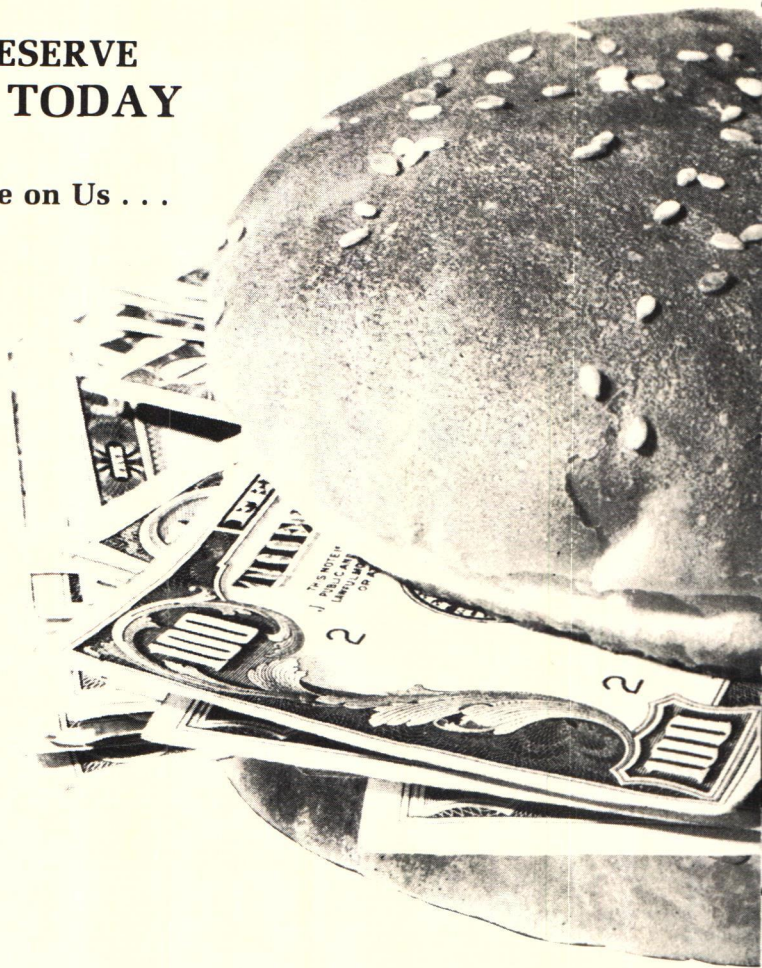
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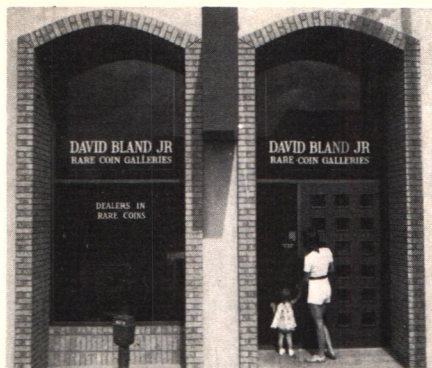
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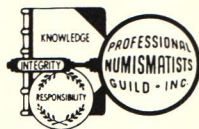
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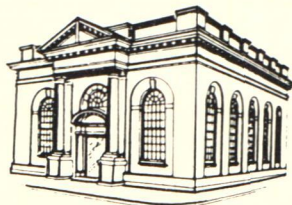
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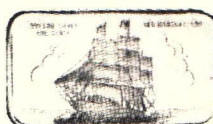
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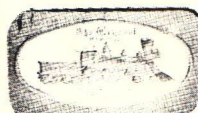
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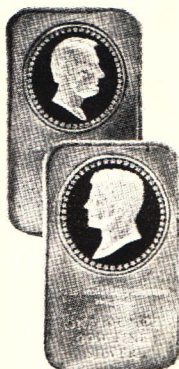


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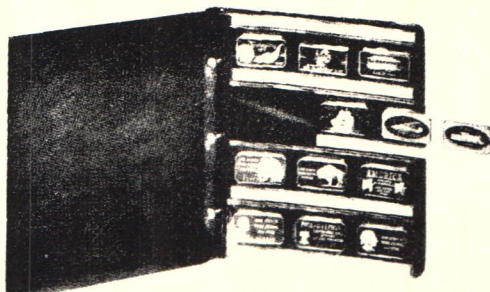


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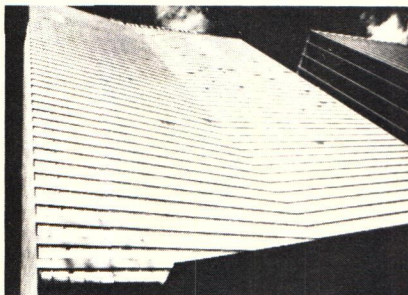
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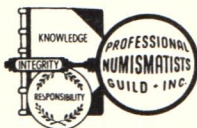
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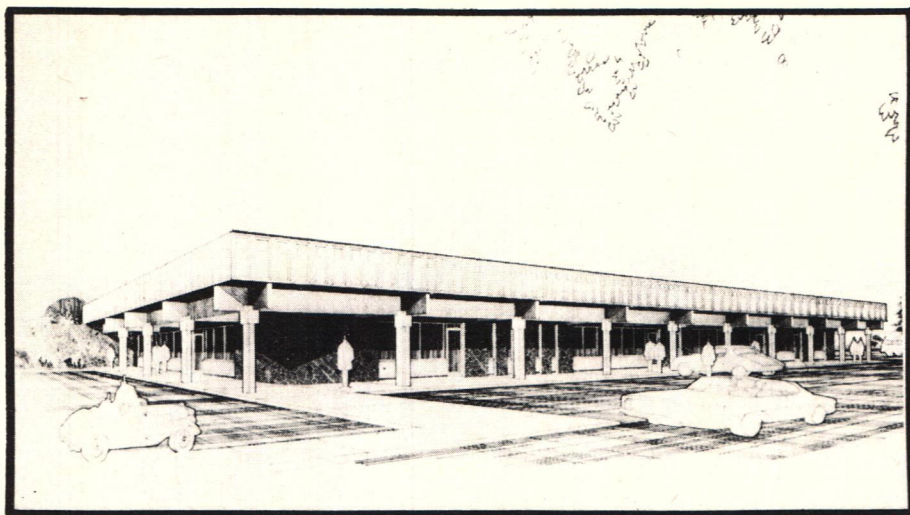
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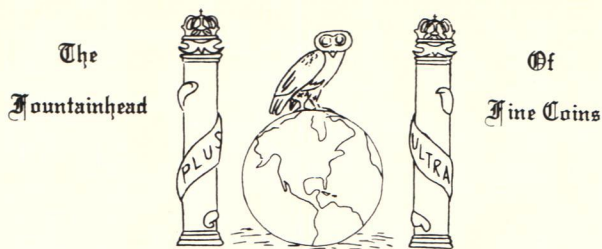
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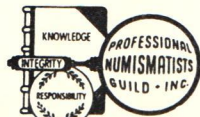
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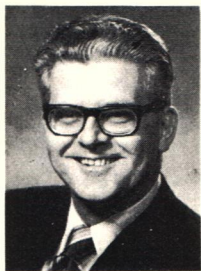
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1882CC	12.00	14.00		20.00	25.00														
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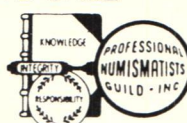
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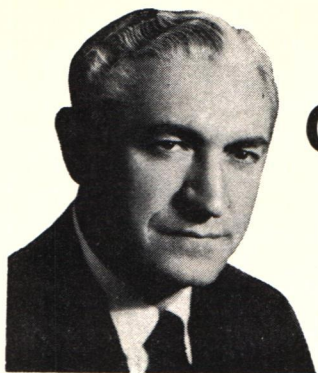


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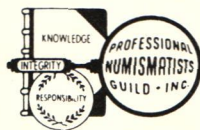
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As a result of the public scandal over Jacob Bausch Eckfeldt's sale of four plain-edged 1804 Dollars (apparently without Snowden's knowledge or approval), the Director raided the Chief Coiner's vault on July 30, 1860, and seized the Eckfeldt collection of dies, which included the 1827 Quarter obverse. Snowden sealed the collection in a crate after making an inventory. Seven years later, Director Henry R. Linderman found the sealed crate but no inventory, and on May 18, 1867 he reopened the crate, inventoried the collection, and resealed it. Two years later, the claim was made that in 1868 the entire collection of dies had been destroyed by forge and sledgehammer without any more impressions being taken, but this claim has been justly disputed. It is, however, reasonably certain that no more 1827 Quarters were restruck on that occasion due to the badly rusted condition of the obverse die and the lack of a suitable reverse.

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1881	135.00	175.00	200.00	265.00	335.00
1882	2.00	3.00	4.00	6.00	10.00
1883	1.00	1.50	2.50	4.00	7.00
1886	10.00	16.00	22.00	30.00	48.00
1887	1.50	2.50	3.50	5.00	9.00
1888	2.00	3.50	5.00	7.00	12.00
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1881	1.50	2.75	4.50	6.00	9.00
1883	0.75	1.25	2.00	3.00	7.00
1886	1.00	1.50	2.50	4.00	7.00
1887	12.00	18.00	25.00	35.00	55.00
1889	0.75	1.00	2.00	4.00	8.00
1891	0.50	0.75	1.25	2.50	4.00
1892	6.00	9.00	13.00	20.00	33.00
1894-97	0.50	0.75	1.25	2.00	3.50
1899	—	0.50	0.75	1.25	2.50
1902	—	—	0.50	1.00	2.00
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1875	5.00	8.00	12.00	18.00	35.00
1882	6.00	9.00	13.00	19.00	36.00
1884	3.50	6.00	8.00	12.00	24.00
1890	13.00	20.00	25.00	32.00	45.00
1891	3.00	5.00	7.00	9.00	16.00
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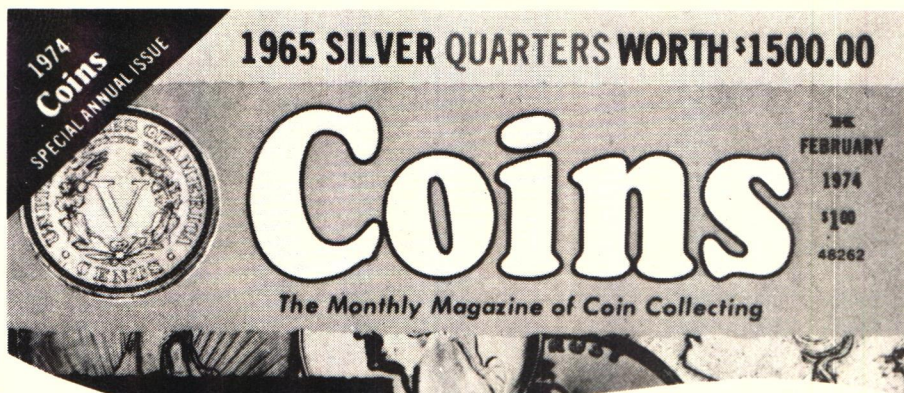
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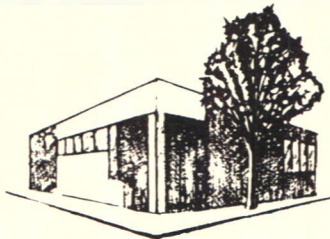
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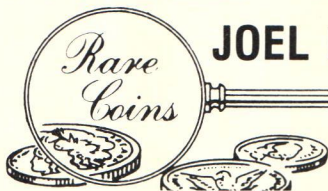
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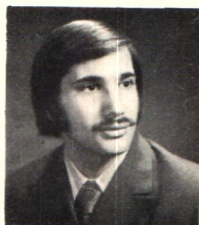
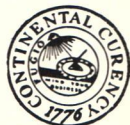
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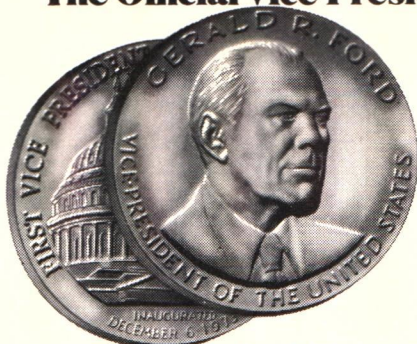
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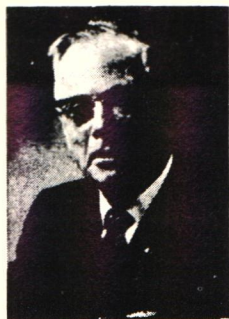
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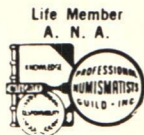


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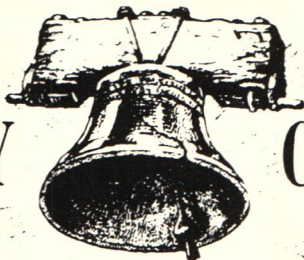
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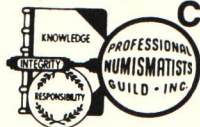
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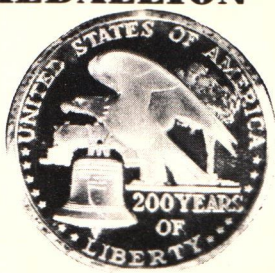
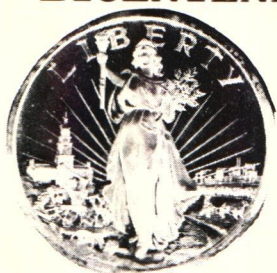
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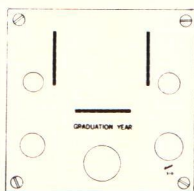


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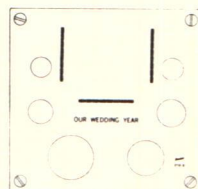
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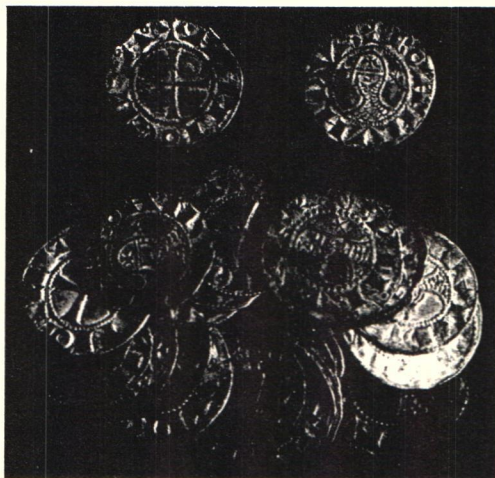
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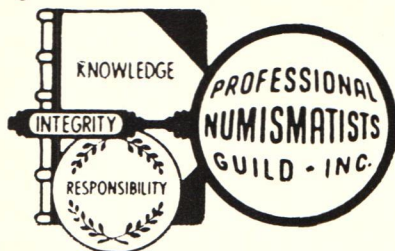
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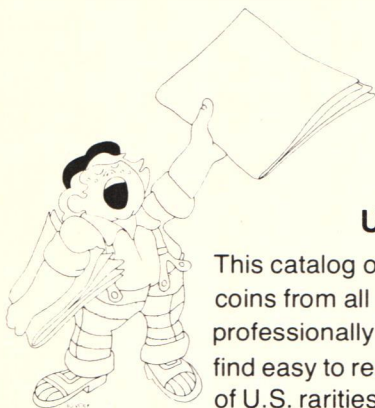


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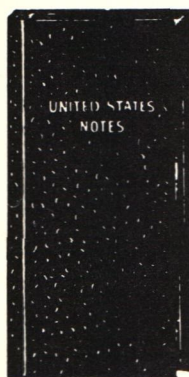


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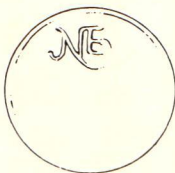
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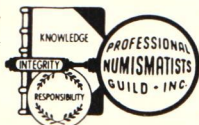
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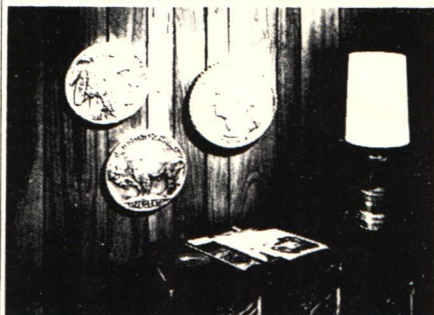
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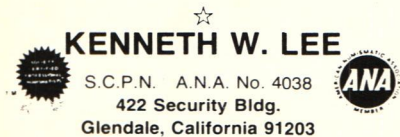
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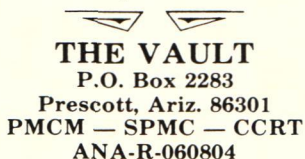
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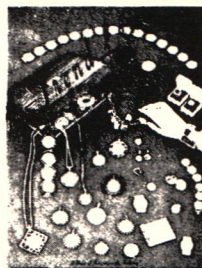
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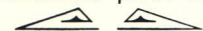
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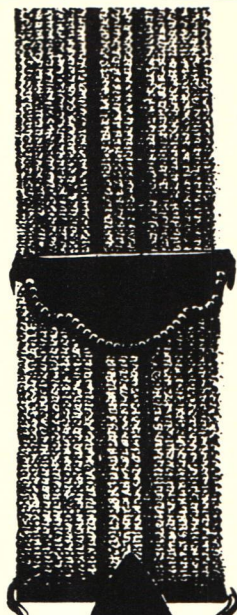
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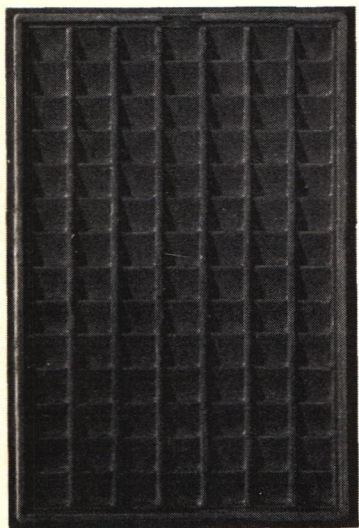
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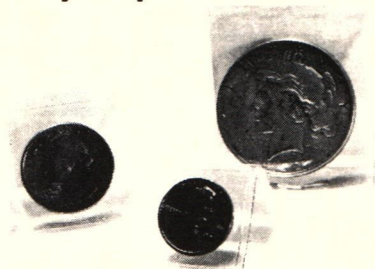


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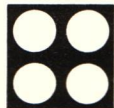
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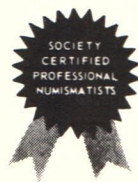


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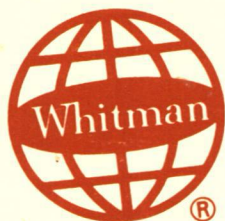
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